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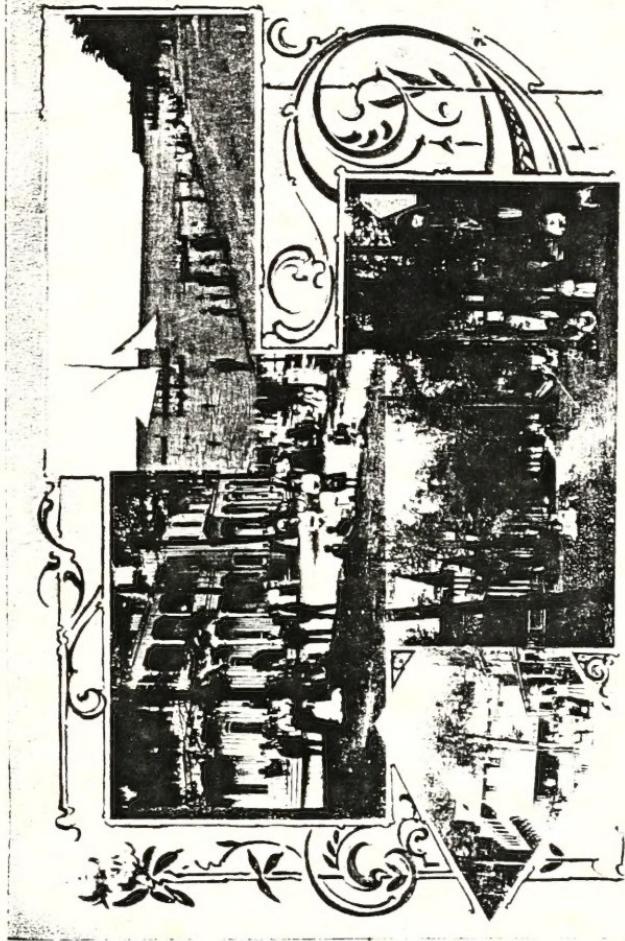
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# Grimsby, Ontario, Canada

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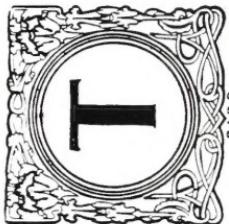


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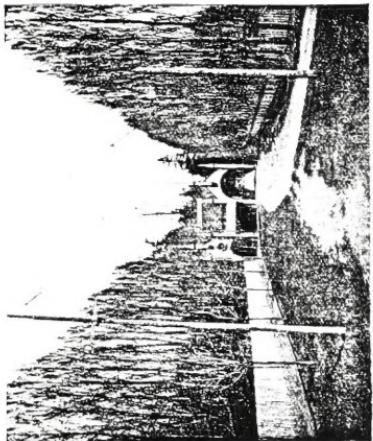
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## PREFACE.

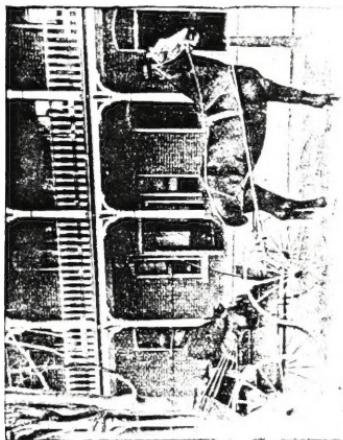


THE wish and ambition of the writer and publisher of this souvenir issue, is to offer to the world at large, into whose hands it may come, an illustrated descriptive work which in some measure will supply accurate information touching the matter of fruit growing in this district, with estimates of its future prospects, together with glimpses of its homes and institutions. Let it be known that "The Grimsby District" comprises all that territory extending from Stoney Creek to Beamsville, including both. This is the heart and centre of the fruit-producing Niagara peninsula, and Grimsby is the centre of this section, with Winona the leading fruit shipping point. It is confidently believed that a careful examination of this work will be found to be both profitable and entertaining.

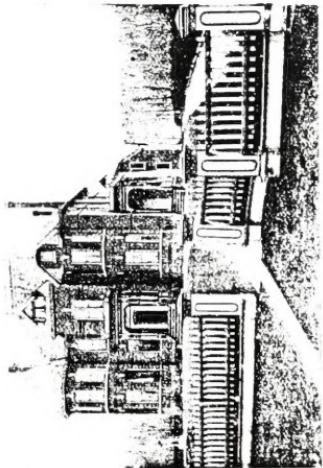




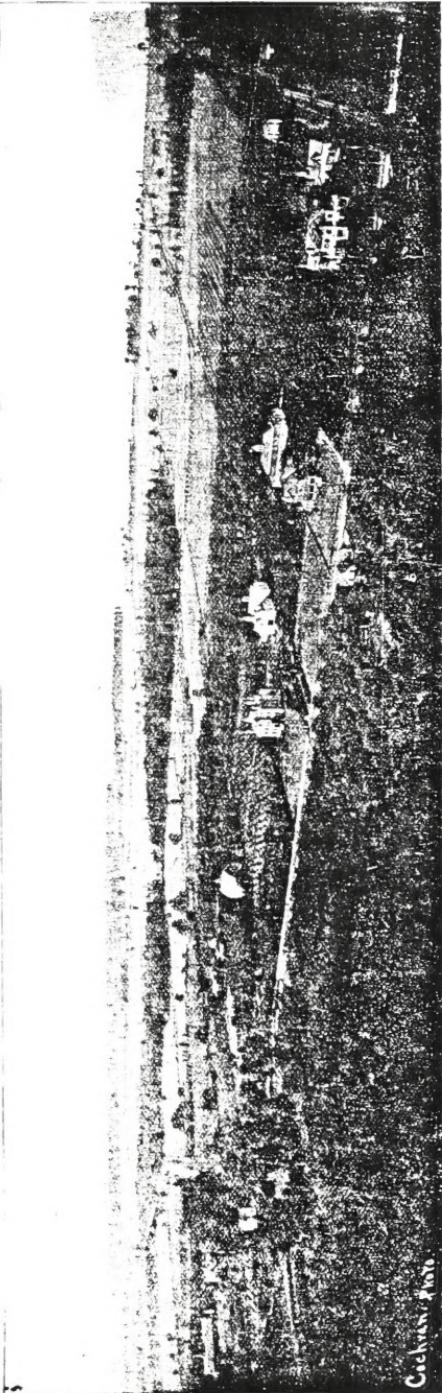
AVENUE AND ENTRANCE TO GRAMSY PARK.



C. E. WEAVER, AND HIS FASHIONABLE DRIVING HORSE.



MRS. GRIMSON'S RESIDENCE, GRAMSY.



A VIEW OF TWENTY FARMS IN THE GRAMSY DISTRICT.—"Through the Garden of Canaha, via the H. G. & B. Electric Railway."



# GRIMSBY, BEAMSVILLE AND DISTRICT.

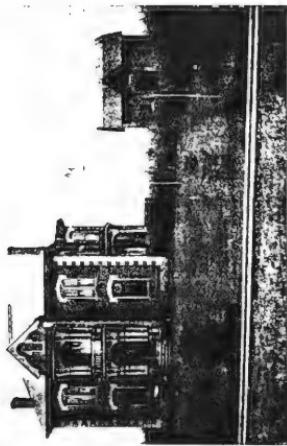
## *The Centre of the Famed Fruit Producing Niagara Peninsula.*

THAT portion of the Niagara Peninsula known as the Grimsby District extends for a distance of about twenty miles east and west, from Stoney Creek, Ont., to Beamsville, Ont. It embraces the very finest section of all Canada, and from the different points in the district are shipped annually more than 1,500 car loads of fruit. In order to bring the statement home to the consumer and to show just what a tremendous supply of fruit eighteen hundred car loads is, let it be known that a car load of fruit on the average weighs about ten tons. Eighteen hundred cars of ten tons each will weigh reduced to pounds exactly thirty-six million pounds. This is made up of peaches, pears, plums, apples, cherries, grapes and the various kinds of berries. It mostly goes to points in Canada, although shipments to British and European markets have reached a creditable standing considering the difficulties under which such shipments had to be made. While the fruit producing business is the main industry in this district, mixed farming is also very successful. On top of the mountain this feature combined with the dairying interest makes many men rich. The Grimsby district is inhabited by a class of people who will collectively and individually compare more than favorably with any one section of the Dominion. Prosperity is positively the rule, and it may be said to be the general state of all the people. All along the line of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Electric Railway, which runs through the very heart of the country, there may be seen palatial homes and a lavish display of comfort. The society of the district is in no way isolated or inferior. Schools and churches are everywhere and the ordinary amenities of life are in no degree restricted. The district has a history. Stoney Creek, its western terminus, is the name given to that heroic engagement and British victory during the war of 1812, which resulted in driving the invader from the upper or western end

of the peninsula back upon his base near Niagara Falls, thus riddling this part of Canada of military enemies for a century, and let us hope forever. Leaving Stoney Creek, going eastward the traveller passes through Winona and eighteen miles east from Hamilton alights at Grimsby. Grimsby is a name to conjure with. It is here that the widely known Grimsby Mountain, which towers above to a distance of about 300 feet, while to the northward but three-quarters of a mile is the southern shore of Lake Ontario. Grimsby Mountain is a bold and precipitous peak which towers sheer up from the plain for hundreds of feet. The point is reached by an easy path which winds round the mountain at an ascending grade so gradual as to render the walk up, albeit somewhat lengthy, yet a real pleasure. The constantly changing view of ravine landscape is so charming that fatigue is farthest from the climber's thoughts. At the top the level plateau is covered with a heavy growth of pine and cedar, through which a wide and well worn avenue leads to the Point, Mt. Thon, near Springfield, Massachusetts, Mt. Lookout, at Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Mt. Royal, at Montreal, Quebec, alone, so far as the experience of the writer goes, can compare with the mountain at Grimsby point as an outlook to "view the landscape over." Within a mile roll the majestic waters of Lake Ontario as blue as the sky above, showing an expanse due north of about forty miles, and east and west farther than the best glass can penetrate. Looking from the point eastward such a panorama of farms, orchards and vineyards is presented that the visitor exclaims in adjectives innumerable his or her boundless admiration, and at a near view, down at the mountain base the village literally enshrouded in foliage. A few particulars will enable the reader to grasp the wonderful qualities of this mountain peak for view purposes, better perhaps than any



RESIDENCE OF MR. WALKER, GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE OF REV. JOHN MUIR, GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE AND ORCHARDS OF GEORGE SMITH, GRIMSBY.





amount of ejaculations or exclamation points. On a recent visit the writer was able to see across Lake Ontario to the city of Toronto and to quite plainly distinguish the city's outlines, and to observe leading streets running north and south, a forty mile view. To the east, the monument erected to the memory of General Brock at Queenston, a distance of thirty-five miles, was clearly seen, its shining white shaft standing out bright against the horizon. To the westward, Hamilton and the Bay, Burlington and the Beach, eighteen miles distant. All this by the aid of an ordinary field-glass. It may well be doubted if any of its rivals can offer such extended views as Grimsby Mountain, and certainly none can approach it in nearer expanse. Within a single sweep of the glass, may be brought within easy range more than ten thousand farms, orchards multiplied by thousands and vineyards by tens of thousands. Guests at the Grimsby Park hotels and cottages through the mountain morning, noon and evening, it being of easy access by the cars of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beaverville Electric Railway, and by the same means of locomotion do the citizens of Hamilton avail themselves of this pleasure.

Grimsby has a population of 1,000 people. This shows an increase during the past decade of 25 per cent. Its homes are most charming and its social functions vie with those of Hamilton and St. Catharines in style and brilliancy. It may be said for Grimsby in no spirit of bragadocio, that it presents all the attractions of a perfect place of residence. Its high school is exceptional for its excellence, while its public school renders all the service to students possible to give. Churches and church societies are numerous, including the following denominations: Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, Anglican and Roman Catholic. Each of these worship in separate edifices which for neatness and comfort are all to be desired. Every aid to commerce is here. Almost perfect

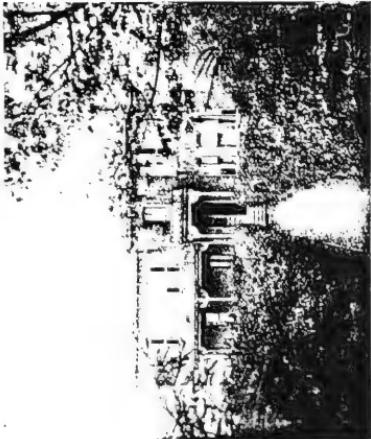
transportation facilities to start with. The Grand Trunk Railway—for freight purposes—the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway, and the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beaverville Electric Trolley line. The latter gives a car each way every hour, giving a round trip service to the city of Hamilton for 50 cents, and by commutation ticket at the rate of 36 cents. These cars make the trip of eighteen miles in one hour, stopping on the way to accommodate the public. Every large fruit farm is a station where passengers may board the car or alight therefrom. Banking is represented by the Bank of Hamilton. There are two telegraph companies, two express companies, a splendid telephone service, two drug stores, one large departmental store, a very prosperous and ably conducted newspaper, "The Grimsby Independent," and two fine hotels.

In the line of manufacturing there are located here two box and fruit basket factories, two planing mills, three carriage shops, one flour and grist mill, and the large agricultural implement works of John H. Groat & Co. Five miles eastward from Grimsby and at the eastern limit of the Grimsby district is situated the village of Beaverville. Beaverville has of late years been better known by the quality and super-excellence of its building stone output than any other one thing. It has a population of about 900 souls, and is certainly an up-to-date community. It has municipal waterworks, electric light and sewerage system. Where else in Canada is there a municipality of so small proportions possessing these conveniences? Beaverville has lovely public buildings, schools and churches. It has every aid to commerce required and it is the eastern terminus of the H. G. & B. Railway. Its people are kind and genial, with a ready appreciation of the amenities of life. It is located on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway also, so that its transportation is of the best.

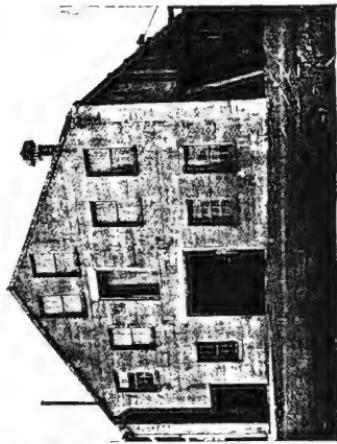
## SCHOOLS OF THIS DISTRICT.

This is essentially a land of refinement and education. Within a distance of eighteen miles the schools of Stony Creek, Winona and Beaverville, which the reader will find illustrated herein, are for a class not excelled anywhere outside of large cities, and those at Grimsby, the centre of this section, particularly those temples of youthful learning under the care and direction of Messrs. Harrison and Hale, will compare favorably in drill and curriculum with the larger and more pretentious institutions of Toronto and Hamilton. Mr. C. W. Harrison, M. A., is principal of the Grimsby High School. Here pupils are given an education in commercial subjects, English, mathematics, science,





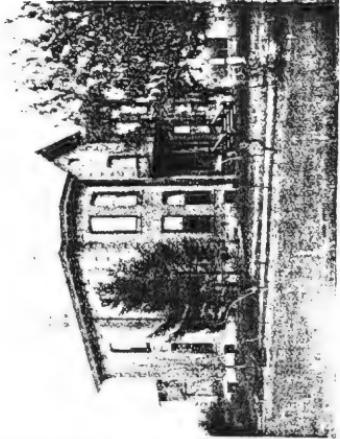
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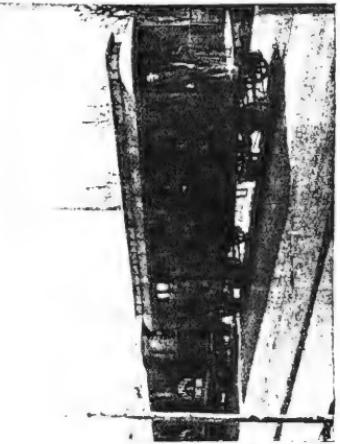
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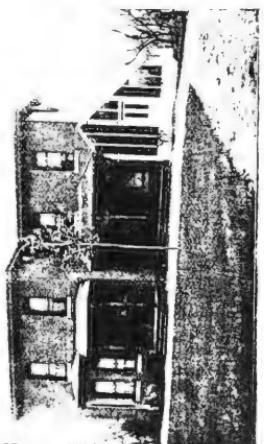
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DOMINION EXPRESS CAR ON H. G. & B. R. R., GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE OF MR. BRENNAN, GRIMSBY.



ceding the late David Sykes, who occupied the position for a period of nearly fifteen years. The Grimsby Public School has three teachers including the Principal, and the pupils are efficiently trained in all the subjects from the primary to the "entrance examination" at the end of the year in the Fourth Form.

#### GRIMSBY PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

W. J. DROPE, PRINCIPAL.

This educational institution is situated at the eastern extremity of the village of Grimsby, and on the southern shore of Lake Ontario. It was organized as a boarding and day school for boys in the autumn of 1896, by the present Principal, W. J. Dope, M. A., and opened with an attendance of three boarders and one day boy. Since then the attendance has steadily increased. There are now fourteen names on the register.

Principal Dope has attained a high standing in the teaching profession of the Province. He received his B. A. from Victoria University and his M. A. degree from Trinity University. As a public and high school teacher he had eight years' experience before coming to Grimsby, the latter part of which was spent in the Peterborough Collegiate Institute. It is greatly to his credit that a number of his present pupils are from Peterborough.

The schoolroom and gymnasium are admirably adapted for their purposes. The latter is 45 x 25 feet in size and affords ample space for games or exercise during inclement weather. The sleeping and dining rooms are models of neatness and convenience. A fine large playground is provided for cricket, tennis, golf, etc. In winter an outdoor rink is provided for skating and hockey. The scenery is beautiful, and comprises extensive views of lake and strand, mountain and valley. The celebrated Grimsby Park grounds and a large portion of the fertile fruit belt of Ontario are in the immediate vicinity.

Intellectual, moral, physical, esthetic and religious training is carefully attended to.

The school enjoys a splendid record at different public examinations. Since its inception, eleven candidates have written on various examinations and all of these have been successful. Eight have passed the High School entrance, two the Royal Military College matriculation, and one, Part I. University matriculation. In cricket the school has also been very successful. During the season of 1900, seven matches were played and six of these were won.

This institution possesses in a marked degree the various requirements of a popular and successful boarding school, and it is毫不迟疑地 reconmended to parents and guardians who may be desirous of placing those in their charge in such a school.

"Lake Lodge" is also of historic interest. It was the stopping place for members of parliament on their way to Newark, now Niagara, when the first parliament of Upper Canada met there. The present substantial and commodious mansion was erected by the Hon. Abram Nelles and has remained in possession of his family ever since. His son was Henry W. Nelles, father of the late Samuel A. Nelles. Principal Dope is a son-in-law of the late Samuel A. Nelles, and his children are the fifth generation in succession to inhabit "Lake Lodge." The barn with its massive timbers and unique frame was built in 1801. The original shingles and siding are still intact. It was used as a prison for American soldiers taken during the war of 1812. The immense willow trees planted in the early days in front of the house now measure fifteen feet in circumference, and a fine old apple tree is shown that measures nine feet in circumference and bears large luscious fruit. (See illustrations on one of the following pages.)

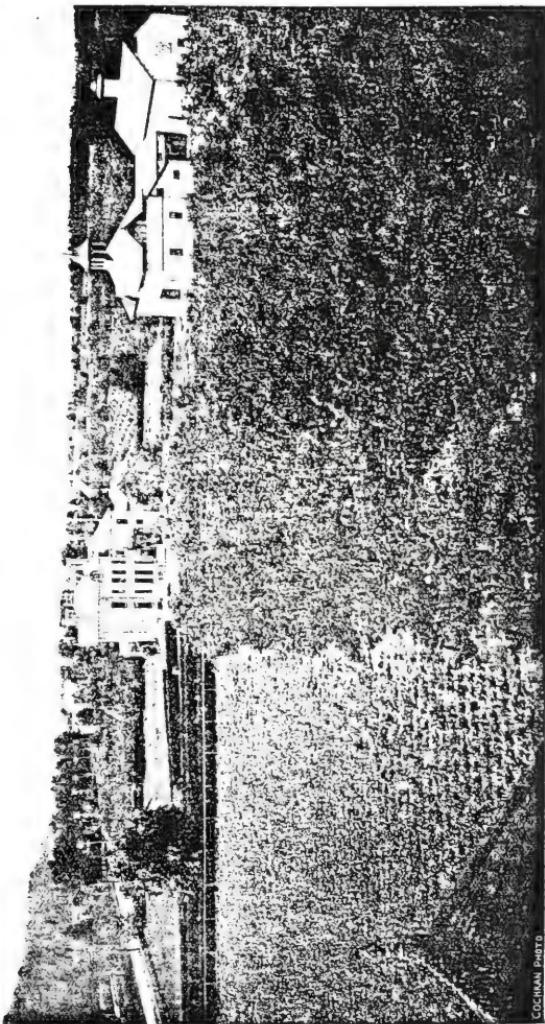
## GRIMSBY CHURCHES.

### ST. JOHN PRESBYTERIAN.

In the year 1814 the Rev. D. W. Eastman came as a missionary from the United States and preached the gospel to Presbyterian congregations from Brudenellville as far as Etarosa, during fifty years. A church was organized in Grimsby in 1832 in connection with the Presbytery of York, United Synod of Upper Canada; but the following year came under the charge of the Niagara Presbytery. This congregation had a Sabbath School, a temperance society

and a weekly prayer meeting. They had not a settled pastor, but Mr. Eastman and other clergymen of the Presbytery gave them religious services and administered the sacraments. A brick church was built, and it was dedicated for public worship in 1837; the offerings of the day were given to the Home Missionary Society. A clause in the deed provides that any regularly ordained minister of the Methodist, Episcopalian or Baptist Churches may officiate at funeral occasions, when it does not interfere with the appointments of this





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RESIDENCE OF MRS. J. HENRY SMITH AND F. W. SMITH, GRIMSBY.

"Through the Garden of Cana la," via the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beaverville Railway.



congregation. From 1837 irregular religious services were held by ministers of the Presbytery, and the Rev. G. McClatchey, minister of the Church of Scotland at Brantsville, to the year 1856. In this year the Presbytery of Hamilton in connection with the Presbyterian Church of Canada was petitioned by the Presbyterians of Grimsby to organize a congregation; a favorable answer was returned, and the request granted on May 3rd of the same year, and the pulpit was supplied till July 7th, 1858, at which date Mr. John G. Murray was ordained and inducted as pastor. In the year 1852 the congregation began to collect funds to build a new church. The new building was erected on the site of the old, completed, and was dedicated for public worship on Feb. 2nd, 1859. The church has a lofty and comfortable auditorium, with which the schoolroom is connected by sliding doors, and has a well finished basement. From ill health the Rev. J. G. Murray retired from the pastorate in the spring of 1894, and in September of the same year the Rev. J. Muir, M. A., was inducted as pastor, and is still the incumbent.

#### THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

This church has a unique history in that it is the outgrowth of a mission Sunday School. Away back in 1838 Mr. Chas. E. Woolerton, a young man of eighteen, spent much of his time in vacation from college in gathering together for religious instruction the children of the village of Grimsby; and when he brought home his wife at the conclusion of this work was his chief delight. As a result, this school, known as the Grimsby Bible School, became the leading one in the village. In 1875 Mr. Woolerton built a hall purposely for the work, which so grew under his guidance that in 1877, after some special services conducted by Dr. Hooper, a Baptist church was here organized, with eighteen constituent members. In 1880 the church had outgrown the hall, and with heroic enterprise undertook the erection of a fine brick edifice, and invited to the pastorate the Rev. W. E. Needham, brother of Geo. C. Needham, the celebrated evangelist. Being both artist and evangelist, he was able to interest every one with his chalk talks on scriptural themes. During the twenty years elapsing since the erection of this chapel there has been constant growth, the number of members that have been on the roll during these years being in all nearly 350. In September, 1900, the pioneer of the work passed away, and the son Mr. Thos. Woolerton, has undertaken much responsibility for the progress of the work, which is to-day more prosperous than ever. The Sunday School numbers over one hundred, and its sessions are full of interest. The Rev. L. Brown, M. A., whose ministry has been so much

blessed in recent years, having removed to Petrolia, the Rev. Albert B. Cohoe, B. A., of McMaster University, has accepted an invitation to settle with the church from the 1st of June, 1901, and has the reputation of being a brilliant young preacher.

#### THE METHODIST CHURCH.

The Methodists of Grimsby worship in a commanding brick edifice situated on Depot Street, about midway between Main Street and the G. T. R. Station—thus giving them a most desirable location. The whole structure is in the form of an "L," the projecting section being used as a Sunday School room while the main section comprises the Church proper and Class Rooms in the rear.

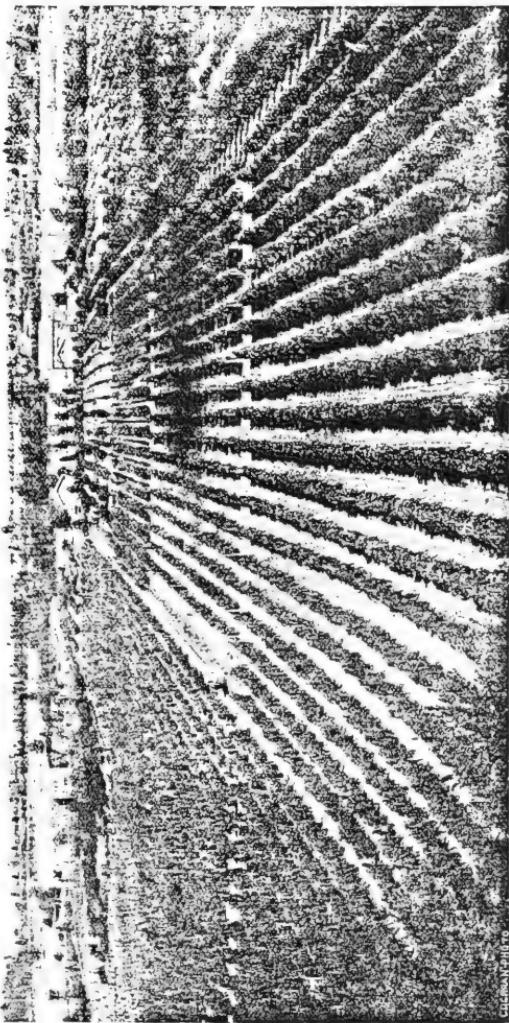
About five years ago, during the pastorate of the Rev. James Awle, B.A., extensive alterations were undertaken and carried to completion, making the church one of the prettiest and most attractive to be found outside of the cities. The taste displayed in the carpeting, painting, tinting and seating gives the interior an effect, especially when brilliantly lighted by electricity at night, that is most conducive to worship and rest.

The pastor in charge is the Rev. F. W. Hollimake, B. A., B.D., who is ably assisted by a board of faithful Stewards and representatives. Mr. E. J. Palmer, who has been associated with the commercial life of Grimsby for many years, is Recording Steward, while C. W. Vanhozer and Mr. W. B. Calder are Treasurers. The choir is in the hands of two competent musicians—Mr. F. M. Mitchell, leader, and Mr. C. W. Harrison, M. A., assistant. The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition under the superintendence of Mr. James A. Hewitt, who has recently been appointed for another year. With such facilities for carrying on work and such an able band of officials, Grimsby Methodist Church is bound to prove a power for good in the community.

#### ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The parish of St. Joseph's Catholic Church was established in 1866. The following priests attended monthly: Rev. Fathers Laborde, Sullivan, Davis, Beausue, McMahon, Skelly, McRae, Lafontaine, Crinion and Williams. Rev. Father T. F. Finnegan, the present Parish Priest, is the first resident priest of Grimsby. He arrived on November 3rd, 1900. Holy Mass Sunday 9 and 11 a.m. alternately. Sunday School 2:30 p. m. Vespers 7 p. m. Daily Mass 8 a. m. Holy days of obligation, Holy Mass 9 a. m. Vespers 7:30 p. m. Devotions on Wednesday and Friday in Advent, Lent and during the month of May, 7:30 p. m.





A SAMPLE GRAPEVY AND VINEYARD VIEW IN THE GRIMSBY DISTRICT.  
"Through the Garden of Canada via The H. G. & B. Electric Railway."



## FRUIT GROWING AS AN INDUSTRY.

The principal industry of this district is, of course, that of fruit growing and nursery work. It is confidently expected, however, that, in due time (and that not a very long period either) fruit canning and evaporating will grow amazingly here and return handsome profits to such persons as become thus interested, besides affording tremendous stimulus to the production of fruit itself. Every domestic fruit which it is possible to grow outside of the tropics flourishes here in the Grimsby district. Fruits flourish here for two pertinent reasons. First, this section of country lies in the lake region, which everyone at all familiar with the soil and climate, knows to be prolific of advantages suitable for successful fruit production. Its soil is precisely as varied as are the requirements of the different kinds of fruit. The grape, the plum and the peach flourish and produce best upon the clay loam to be found in parts, while the peach and the army of berries are indigenous to the sandy loam, some of the latter from six to ten feet deep, and in other parts underlaid by a clay subsoil some two and two and a half feet in depth. Its climate is equi-good with any part of the lake region on this continent, and in addition the country is in the position of being sheltered by the range of hills to the south from sudden storms and in winter of having the influence of Lake Ontario tempering the winds and climate hereabouts. The most valuable crop is the peach and its cultivation is constantly increasing. Strawberries in small fruits are at the top in point of value. Then in intermediate position come the pear, plum, grape and small fruits. The nurseries of this portion of the Niagara peninsula supply the major part of all the orchards of Ontario. These include E. D. Smith, M. P., C. P. Carpenter & Sons, J. W. Smith & Sons, George Chambers and others. Land holdings in this district are growing gradually smaller as acreage becomes more valuable. From this fact has resulted increased output per acre, because of advanced methods in tillage so that less acreage is now producing even more than double the amount in former years at much less labor and expense. The wisdom displayed by the men of the preceding generation when they began to exploit this section in the direction of the fruit growing industry is now one of the largest sized facts. For example, forty years ago this land was supposed to yield handsomely in grains if the value of its crop reached the limit of \$30 per acre.

Now expectations are not thought to be at all optimistic, or unreasonable, when raised to the sum of \$20 per acre yield value. But this attitude of return has not been reached without great effort and expenditure, as well as expensive and nursery work. It is said with emphasis, that the Niagara peninsula fruit grower knows his business, and this is eminently true of those growers in the Grimsby district. Experiments, tests and trials made by them have shown the way to successful growth, scientific sorting and packing, and best choice of available markets with means of shipment well in hand. The great and growing demand is for such improved means of transportation as will enable growers to extend their markets and to scatter perishable fruit with greater despatch. If such facilities could be secured in aid of shipment it would mean a gain of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually to this part of Canada. It is respectfully recommended to the Government of Ontario and also of the Dominion, that the most powerful influences be brought to bear upon railway and shipping companies to the end that the country's fruit product wherever it grows, be enabled to reach the consumers of Canada and the world in the best possible state of preservation. This means speed and despatch of course.

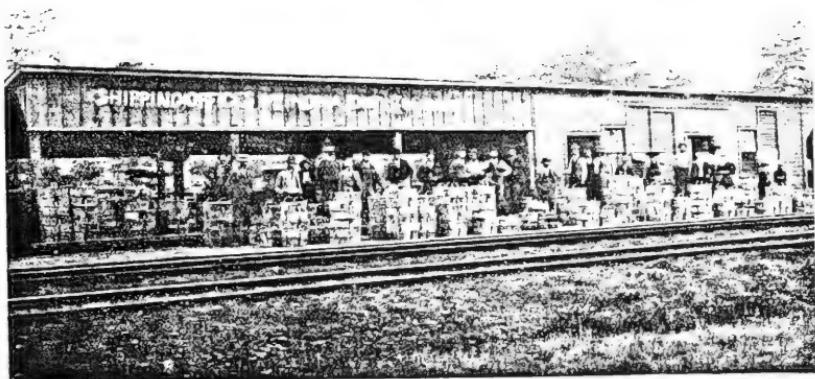
No one portion of Ontario is more famous as a fruit centre than is the district of Grimsby, extending from Beaverville on the east to Stoney Creek on the west. Hereaway back in the fifties was planted the first commercial peach orchard ever grown in Ontario, as also was the first apple orchard in the year 1780. The trees of the latter were top grafted in the early years of the century by Peasley, an English gardener, to such good old varieties as Greening, Kewick, Colling, Sheep's Nose, Greasey Pippin, etc., etc., and many of these trees are still standing and bearing. One of them a few years ago spread over a space of forty square feet, and in one season produced over twenty barrels of fine apples. It was a compliment to this district's prominence in the production of fruit, that in 1887 one of its growers was made Secretary-Treasurer of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association. It was a Grimsby fruit grower also who was chosen to superintend Ontario's fruit exhibit at the World's fair at Chicago. Further, it was a company of Grimsby fruit growers who were selected by Professor Robertson for experimental work in the export of tender fruits, and through their efforts this work will soon be confidently undertaken by fruit growers everywhere in Canada.

The visitor to Grimsby will ever be charmed by the picturesque scenery

of orchard and vineyard, and the practical man will easily be convinced that no

place is more desirable for the location of a permanent orchard than this, for here soil and climate combine to favor the best results.





C. P. CARPENTER & SONS' SHIPPING STATION, WINONA



THE MANSION HOUSE, GRIMSBY, C. E. WEAVER, PROPRIETOR



## **REAL ESTATE, GRIMSBY DISTRICT.**

Inquiry for real estate holdings in the Niagara Peninsula and in the Grimsby District was never so brisk and insistent as it is right now (May 1901), and the supply was never so short. The reason for both is the splendid success met with here by fruit growers in quantities produced per acre and the price received. Mr. W. W. Kahl, the foremost real estate man of this District (Grimsby, Ont.) informs the writer that so far as he knows there is not a single property, large or small, which is to any degree a drag upon the market, and as often, he declares that there is but one vacant property, it without buildings, now offering for sale in the whole district. Of properties with good houses and out-buildings it is different, though in the latter class there is no further disposition to sell displayed than that money will buy if price asked is met. This district embraces about sixty square miles (20 miles by 3) extending from about Stoney Creek to Brantville and from Lake Ontario to Grimsby Mountain. Vacant land here is worth from \$200 to \$600 per acre according to quality and location.

Deep sand land is most valuable because it produces best the high priced peach crop. Clay loam, etc. follows in rate of value which is adapted to produce the crops of pears, plums, grapes, etc. Location tells when it is along a railway line or contiguous to one of the villages of this district. About  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the soil is of the deep sandy sort. The fruit-bearing land throughout ranges in price from \$300 to \$1000 per acre depending on the fruit planted. The highest price of course represented by peach bearing land. Next in value as before, the plum and pear orchards, and lastly the small fruits: strawberries, raspberries, and grapes etc. Buyers cannot go astray in purchasing here, because the district is settled, surveyed and is intersected by three main roads east and west and twenty north and south, and served throughout its entire length and breadth by the G. T. R. and T. H. & B. Railways, and by the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Electric Railway also. The Niagara Peninsula and particularly this district is par excellence the best producing fruit sections in America and is in no way handicapped by lack of transportation or markets. Terms of purchase through Mr. W. W. Kahl, Grimsby, Ont., are most liberal, 25 and 33 $\frac{1}{3}\%$  cash and balance at 5%.

## **GRIMSBY PARK.**

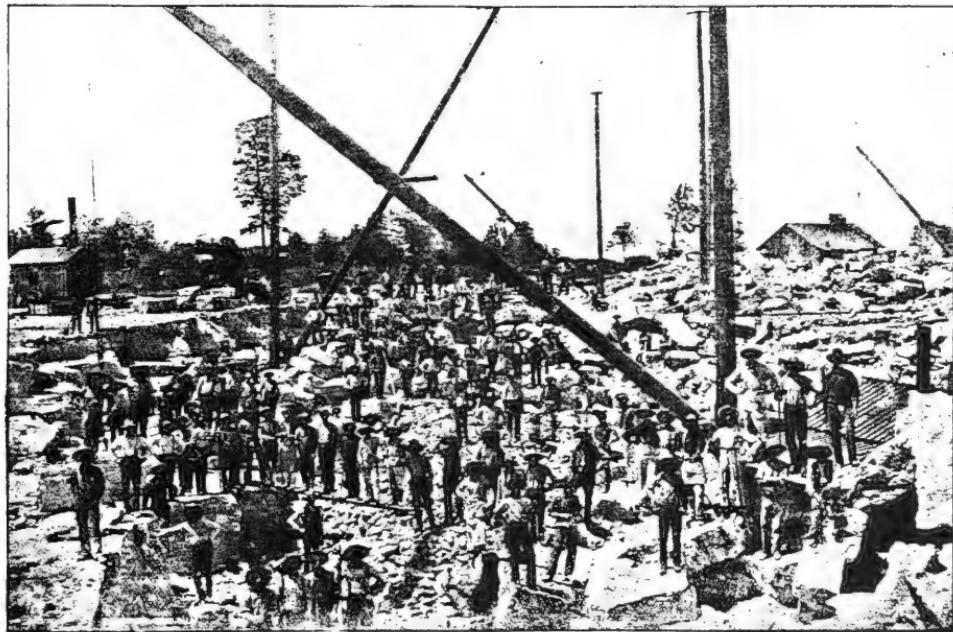
More than half a century ago the grounds now included in the bounds of Grimsby Park were recognized as being admirably well adapted for the assembling of a great multitude of people. As early as 1846, thirteen years before the first camp meeting, a mammoth temperance meeting was held on the bank of Lake Ontario, near the present Lake View House. This temperance meeting was called a "soiree," and there were long tables bounteously spread at which the two thousand people present feasted together. They were subsequently entertained by speeches from eloquent men who graced the platform, two of whom belonged to the famous Ryerson family. They were Egerton, who afterwards became Chief Superintendent of Education, and the founder of the public school system of Ontario; and the other was William, the orator of the family, who on this occasion delivered a masterful address on the subject of temperance. The meeting was a great success.

Grimsby Park is one of the few survivals of the old-fashioned camp meetings which were so much in vogue in the early part of the 19th century. The camp meeting seems to have been a prominent feature of the early religious life of Canada. Long before there were towns or villages, the scattered settlers were wont to gather in great numbers for a week or ten days together in the

tented grove. The little log houses were miles apart, men and women were engaged in a hand to hand struggle for existence; what wonder was it that sometimes they seemed to forget their early training and grow cold and indifferent toward religious concerns. Children were born, and sometimes well grown, in some localities, before they had ever heard a sermon or seen a church. The ubiquitous Methodist itinerant preachers hunted out these lost sheep in the wilderness, and brought to them the comforts of the gospel. Travelling on horseback, in all kinds of weather, over the length and breadth of immense circuits, these itinerant preachers, as poor, as hardy, as brave as their parishioners, looked forward to the camp meeting as the one great means whereby their labors should be crowned with success.

As the country became more thickly settled and the people more comfortable in circumstances, circuits and churches increased and the camp meeting seems to have become more and more a sort of yearly Feast of Tabernacles when the people loved to gather for social and religious intercourse. Forty or fifty years ago in the balmy days many wondrous scenes were witnessed on many of these occasions. Saints and sinners, it is said, were alike overpowered by the my sterious spiritual influences which like a whirlwind swept over the





A VIEW OF WM. GIBSON'S STONE QUARRY, BEAMSVILLE.



A VIEW OF C. P. CARPENTER & SONS' NURSERY AND ORCHARDS, WINONA.



immense congregation and prostrated the people like fields of grain borne down by might winds. The Camp Meeting at Grimsby came into existence in 1859. At the Conference that year the Hamilton District was divided and the Niagara District formed, with the Rev. Samuel Rose who was in charge of the Thorold Circuit, as chairman of the newly formed District. Early in the Conference year a committee was appointed to select a ground and make the needful preparation for a camp meeting for the new district. This committee was composed of Revs. Samuel Rose, Michael Fawcett, John Wakefield and the following laymen : John B. Bowlsbaugh, David Hoasser and Jacob Beamer. This committee met at the house of Mr. Bowlsbaugh and after some discussion selected the ground where Grimsby Park now is. In the selection many things needed to be considered such as suitable ground, good water, available pasture for horses, a sympathetic neighborhood and plenty of pine and wood for lights. All these things seemed to unite in the spot chosen on the southern shores of beautiful Lake Ontario. The ground required much work to make it ready for the camp meeting.

As soon as the place was selected, before a blow was struck, the committee, with laced heads, knelt before God beneath the leafy shade and invoked His blessing. Then the Rev. Mr. Wakefield seized an axe and struck the first blow towards the clearing of the grounds, after which all hands set to work to prepare as quickly as possible for a successful meeting which was to begin on the last Thursday in August, 1859. Much arduous work was done, but ministers and laymen alike rendered willing service, and when the day of assembly had arrived, all was ready.

The first sermon was preached by the Rev. John Wakefield, and histext was from 1 Kings, 18:41 "There is a sound of abundance of rain." The meeting lasted about a week and results were reported as very satisfactory.

From this time Grimsby camp meeting became an annual gathering and with the single exception of the year 1862, when the district camp meeting was held at Drummondville, near Niagara Falls, camp meeting services were continued. Among the men who were prominent in the work in those days may be mentioned Revs. Samuel Rose, Isaac B. Howard, Michael Fawcett, John Shaw, John Wakefield, J. H. Stahl, John Potts, Alexander Sutherland, A. Langford, I. E. Betts, and in later years John A. Williams, George R. Sanders, W. S. Griffin and others. Among the laymen there were John B. Bowlsbaugh, Noah Phelps, Ira Calder, David Hoasser, Jacob Beamer, John P. Bridgeman, Abijah Morse, James Lewis and James Miller.

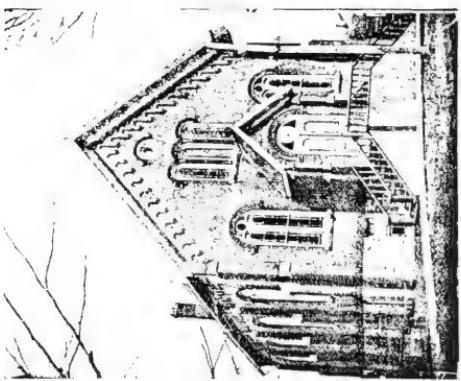
Dr. Rose and Mr. Fawcett both were men of strong character as well as of deep piety. Mr. Fawcett was a very devoted temperance worker and had all the courage of his convictions. Early in the history of the Park, and for a good many years, great difficulty was experienced by the camp meeting authorities in keeping strong drink off the ground and its environs. Open defiance was met with at first and later all sorts of tricks were resorted to in order to cater to the appetites of those persons addicted to drink who might happen to be in the audience. On one occasion when a most flagrant instance of this occurred and a man planted a little drinking booth at the very gates, it was raided and razed to the ground by the indignant campers headed and assisted by no less a personage than the reverend gentleman himself.

The camp meeting was always held the last week in August, beginning on Thursday and lasting over one Sunday. This, of course, was the most important day and the crowds were immense. The people brought baskets of provisions and picnicked in the woods or on the shore, and during the hours of service they often overflowed the seating capacity and stood in hundreds reaching sometimes to the very doors of the encircling tents. A pleasant sight it was to see the people as they came upon the grounds to be ready for this great Sunday. How glad the women were to see each other. Many of them never met save at these meetings. Gradually the little dwellings would fill and faces appear at the doors. The simple arrangements inside were soon completed and greetings and handshakings were in order.

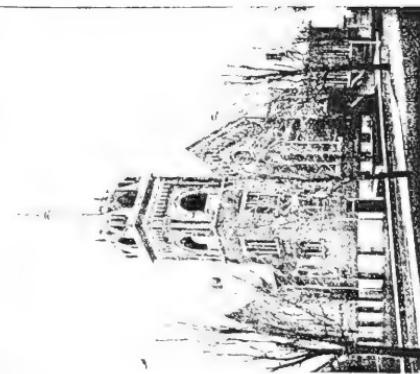
It must be remembered, however, that the people came together for worship. There were three regular services of sermons with after-meetings which were long and exciting, and as some of the brethren never seemed to grow weary, little bands might be found at almost any hour in different tents met to continue the spiritual exercises, and sometimes only dispersed when meal time came and the physical as well as the spiritual nature called for attention. Seriousness marked the demeanor of most of the seated congregation. When the minister arose to begin the services an expectant hush fell upon the vast assembly. Some of the ministers had wonderful voices, which penetrated the forest spaces beyond like bugle notes, and the grand old tunes were sung with a vigor andunction most appropriate to the occasion.

Those early meetings were characterized by great simplicity, earnestness and spirituality. The people came together for the sole purpose of engaging in religious exercises for the benefit of themselves and others. For this purpose business was suspended, household routine disturbed and the entire energies of





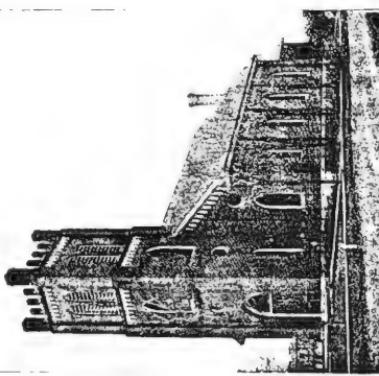
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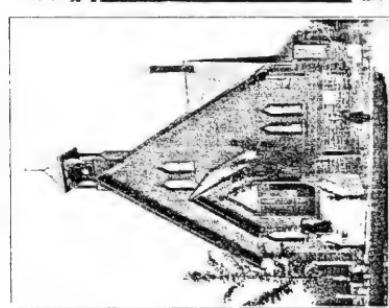
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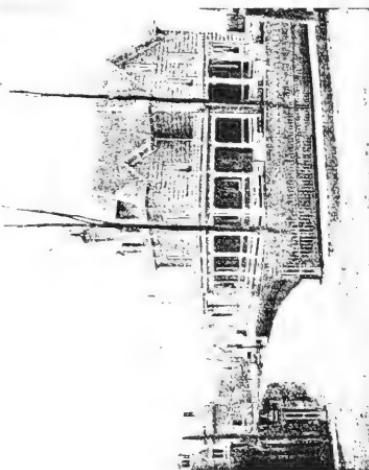
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the participants given to the work of advancing the kingdom of Jesus Christ. They expected to be blessed and strengthened and they were not disappointed. If they sometimes gave expression to their spiritual ecstasies in shouts or tears, or other demonstrations, what mattered it when they came forth from the meetings with faces shining with the light which comes alone from attitudes beyond the reach of the soul's everyday experience. What a heartiness there was in the greetings they gave each other in those days, such a grip in their handshakes, and candor in their eyes. Sons and daughters of the soil many of them were, with hard work for their daily portion, bat their honesty, their simplicity, their kindness of heart, were beautiful.

"The old order changeth giving place to the new." In the year 1874 it was found that the old camp which had been in existence for sixteen seasons must undergo extensive repairs if it was to continue another year. An entry in an old minute book of 1874 reads as follows: "A call was made from the preachers' stand for a meeting to be held in Mr. Phelps' tent, on Wednesday September 2nd, 1874." As a result of this meeting steps were taken to organize a company, to be called the "Ontario Methodist Camp Ground Company," and the place to be called the "Ontario Methodist Camp Ground." The company was organized and received its charter on the 26th day of February, 1875, and had for its first board of directors, Noah Phelps, President; J. H. Bowslaugh, Treasurer; Rev. W. Savage, Secretary; together with Rev. John Mills and David Hauser.

No history of the old Grimsby Camp Ground and the present Grimsby Park would be complete without special attention being directed to the original owner of the land, Mr. John B. Bowslaugh, and the first President of the company, Mr. Noah Phelps. Mr. Bowslaugh and his life-long friend, President Phelps, were the only two of the original directors who were on the board continually until called hence by death. Mr. Bowslaugh's devotion to Grimsby Park was proverbial. It was in fact the pet scheme of his life, and the sacrifices he made were known only to those who were closely associated with him in the arduous task of carrying the company through the early years of its history. In short, there was not an interest of the camp ground or park, secular or religious, which did not lie very near his heart, and as long as the park exists it can never be disassociated from the name of John Bowslaugh.

The one man above all others to whom Grimsby Park owes its existence and prosperity was Noah Phelps, the President of the Ontario Camp Ground

Company till the day of his death a little more than a year ago. When the camp meeting at Grimsby was inaugurated Mr. Phelps; took a very active part in all its services and he was never absent but one season. In the earlier days, when the object of the gathering was wholly religious, his energies were unreservedly devoted to the exercises which occupied most of the time. His "tent" was open to the public at all times and was a favorite meeting place.

In the year 1874, when the Grimsby Camp Meeting was taken over by the new corporation, Mr. Phelps was elected its first President. When the people assembled for the season of 1875 all traces of the old camp meeting had disappeared. Sixty or seventy new modern cottages had sprung up on the sites of the old tents, and there was an air of expansion about the whole place.

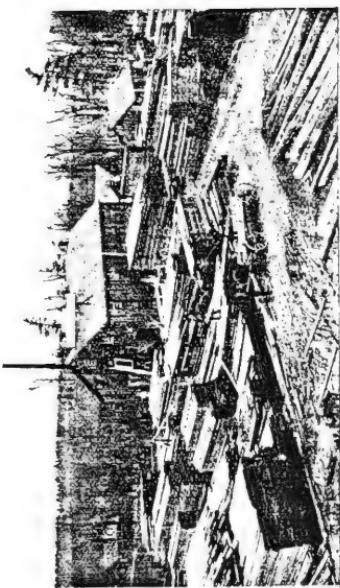
Satisfactory arrangements were made with the Great Western Railway for the stopping of trains, for the accommodation of the many people who would visit the park. Then came the building of the restaurant (which later developed into the Park House) with a grocery and post office. Then came the wharf with bathing and boathouses, followed by improvements in the grounds in laying out the garden and providing a system for drainage. Telegraph offices, barber shop, and backs to the seats in the auditorium came in 1876, and "hereafter straw for beds was to be paid for at the rate of ten cents a bed." In 1878 the engine was purchased for the waterworks, the windmill which has been erected at the end of the pier having proved inadequate. In 1882 the hotel was planned, and in 1883 it was ready for occupation.

In the year 1884 the place of Mr. Chisholm on the Board of Directors was taken by the Rev. Manly Benson, and that of Rev. Mr. Hayhurst, by the Rev. Dr. Sutherland. On the succeeding year with the increase of the number to eleven, new blood was given by the addition of Revs. J. Philip and R. Burns and Messrs. S. F. Lazier and T. C. Livingston. All these gentlemen with the exception of Mr. Livingston, whose place was taken by Mr. Galley, were continued as directors in managing the affairs of the park for several years.

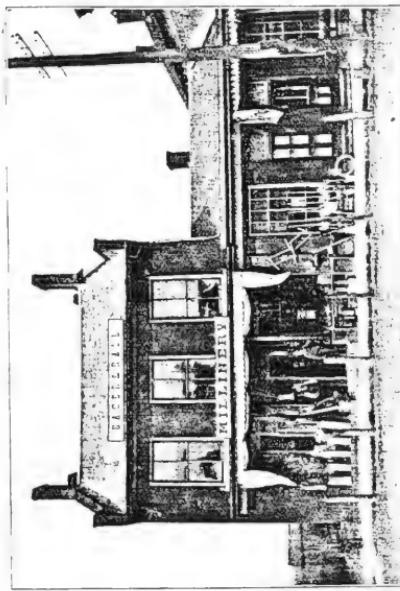
The most signal exhibition of the directors' energy, as well as the large

faith in the future of the park, is seen in the erection of the Temple, which they undertook and successfully carried through in 1888. The structure is truly a marvel of construction and baffles description. It stretches its wide, umbrella-like expanse over the place where "the fathers" held their out-door meetings, and underneath its ample shade 7,000 or 8,000 people can be assembled. The dome of this unique and remarkable creation is itself 122 feet in diameter, and constructed without brace or truss of any kind. From the ground to the top of

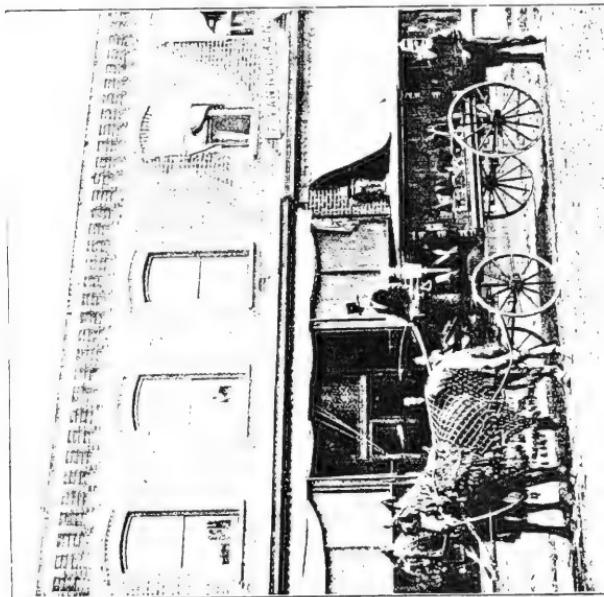




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the dome is 100 feet, and from it can be seen quite distinctly the city of Toronto, 36 miles distant across the blue waters of Lake Ontario. In the construction of this dome 10,000 feet of lumber, and 7,000 pounds ( $3\frac{1}{2}$  tons) of nails were used. The plaza surrounding it is 15 feet wide, and 372 feet in length. As an architectural curiosity it is certainly unique, but language fails when a description is attempted. It is capable of seating an enormous concourse of people, and when it is filled of an evening and the electric lights flash their rays into the farthest circles the spectacle is an impressive one. The arching roof lifts its great dome high above the assembled multitudes, and harbors an imp of an echo which mocks and glibly incessantly when speaker or singer holds forth.

A writer has well said, "If you have never seen the Grimsby Park Temple mink the journey though it be hundreds of miles. You will never regret it. A magnificent amphitheatre, with its brilliant electric lights; a palace of beauty! When seated there, be still. A whisper can be heard. It marvels of sound will astonish you. Its convenience for hearing will delight you." Every season thousands at a time have been gathered beneath it to hear the greatest preachers and orators the American continent can produce.

Mr. Ford, the present treasurer of the company, has furnished the writer with the following statement of the sale of tickets for the season of 1900: The number of single admission tickets sold during the season was 12,231; two-day tickets, 403; three-day tickets, 305; four-day tickets, 51; week tickets, 448; season tickets, 919. The above figures do not include the picnic parties of Sunday schools and other organizations which come in large numbers in June and July, nor the excursions that come across the lake by the steamer, nor those coming by the electric road or Grand Trunk Railway east and west. It is, therefore, quite safe to say that the number of persons entering the park by special excursion is fully equal to the number indicated above who were admitted by tickets. The receipts from the admission charges at the gate have for a great many years averaged between \$4000 and \$5000, and good revenues have also been derived from the various franchises enjoyed.

In 1898, by reason of vacancies caused by death and resignation of directors, the board had only three members who had held office previous to 1896. The new directors on their election were animated by the very laudable ambition to give the benefit of their abilities and business experience to advance the best interests of the Company. The directors who were thus actively engaged devising a new plan of operations and carrying it into effect were Messrs.

Wilkinson, Grinton and Ford, and the Reverends E. A. Chown and E. S. Rose, who were greatly assisted in every way by the Company's solicitor, S. F. Lazer, K. C.

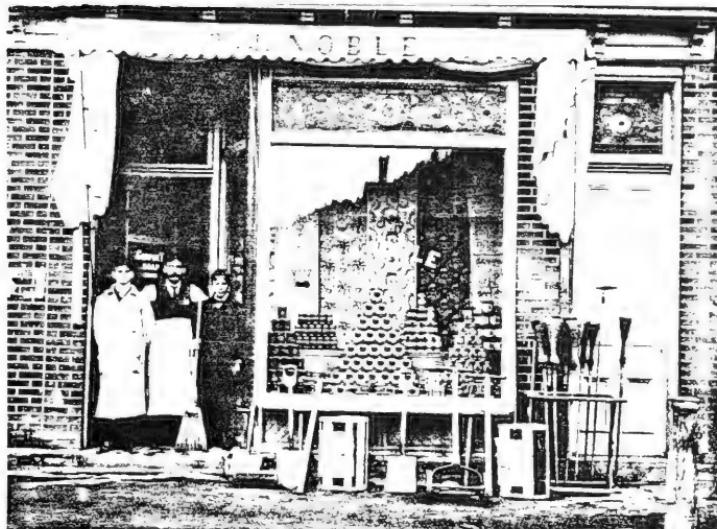
On February 20th, 1901, the completion of the scheme of re-organization was effected by the election of the new Board of Directors. Mr. W. C. Wilkinson, of Toronto, was unanimously elected President, Mr. C. M. Grinton, St. Catharines, was elected Vice-President, Mr. J. H. Ford, of Toronto, was elected Treasurer, the Rev. E. A. Chown of St. Catharines, was elected as the representative on the Board of the holders of common stock. At the request of the shareholders the new Board of Directors petitioned the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to change the corporate name from the "Ontario Methodist Camp Ground Company, Limited" to that of "The Grimsby Park Co., Limited," and the familiar name is now the legal name of the new Company.

What the Grimsby Park of to-day is, is well described in the words of Mrs. Harriet Phelps Yonnans, a niece of the late President, Noah Phelps, in her little brochure, published last summer under the title, "Grimsby Park," "Historical and Biographical Sketches," from the pages of which a large part of the facts and figures of the preceding sketch have been gathered. She says: "There is no trace of the old camp meeting visible, as the train halts at the long covered platform which is called "the station," and the gay summer crowds pace up and down the wide portico, animated and happy. The well kept drive and broad walk which lead to the entrance pavilion, and on through the wood and pic-nic ground to the huge temple, are shaded by rows of tall trees. To the right one sees the tennis courts, and to the left the picnic grounds, with seats and tables, cooking stoves, and swings, and every convenience for the excursionists, who visit the place in great numbers every summer. Cottages and canvas tents are scattered through the open places in the woods, and a capacious horse-yard occupies a remote corner. The water supply is untailing and excellent, and is furnished largely by the same spring which was so important a factor in a choice of a location for the old camp ground. Across the way is the Park House, its broad verandahs all aflutter with the bright summer costumes of the ladies and children. In every direction are cottages peeping out from among the trees, or lining shady lanes and avenues which straggle off in many bewildering ways. Through an opening between two dwellings the road passes into the auditorium with its circling cottages forming, like the old tents, the enclosure where the meetings have always been held and where stands the great temple or tabernacle."





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The high bank along the lake front is lined with cottages, whose inmates can study the latter in all its moods. The sunsets are particularly fine.

Down on the beach the boat houses and the bathing houses stand and the long wharf runs out into the lake, forming a fine promenade and fishing platform, as well as doing its duty towards the steamer which calls every day. Rowing is popular, and a twilight trip to the lily pond pays well when a boat load of the lovely blossoms is the reward. Echo point is in the opposite direction and is a most interesting place to visit.

Lake View House commands a magnificent view of the water and enjoys the lake breezes whenever the slightest zephyr is stirring. Beyond are still more pretty cottages, and then the athletic grounds where all sorts of manly sports are indulged in.

Great care is taken wherever it is possible to preserve the grounds in their natural condition. Mosses and lichens and wild flowers are everywhere. The birds dart about among the trees and the squirrels make themselves quite at home. In short, Grinnishy Park is an up-to-date summer resort of the Chautauquan class, with every facility for innocent and healthy enjoyment and sport. Due regard for the religious and intellectual habits of the people is shown in the preparation of the programme, which includes sermons, lectures, concerts, entertainments, classes in elocution and studies in literature, besides other attractions and no end of good things for the little people. Some of the most eminent divines in America have addressed the Grinnishy Park congregations, and many of the most brilliant platform speakers are to be heard there. An abundance of excellent music is furnished by the best bands of the country, and for the concerts the very best singers are engaged. The pulpit and platform services have always been first-class and thousands of persons have been enabled to listen to sermons and lectures which by no other means could be brought within their reach.

Grinnishy Park has grown very dear to the hearts of those who summer within its borders. The tie which holds them here season after season, in spite of the attractions of other places, only grows stronger as the years go by."

Mr. H. B. Andrews, the genial business manager of the park, has furnished the writer with an abridgment giving the principal events of the programme for the present season of 1901, as follows, a careful perusal of which will disclose the high character of talent employed :

On the 23rd and 30th of June the Rev. F. W. Hollinrake will preach at 2.30 p. m.

Monday, July 1—Day of athletic sports, baseball, etc.

Thursday, July 4—Lecture, "Washington and Lincoln," and on Friday, July 5, lecture, "Luck and Pluck," by the Rev. F. S. Parkhurst, Ph. D., of Lekoy, N. Y.

Saturday, July 6—Grand concert, under the direction of the Musical Director, Mr. E. B. Jackson.

Sunday, July 7—11 a. m. and 8 p. m., sermons, Rev. F. S. Parkhurst, Ph. D. Monday, July 8—Opening of School of Elocution and Children's Illustrated Bible Class.

Thursday, July 11—Special program for young people.

Saturday, July 13—Grand band concert by the Sons of England Band. Sunday, July 14—Sermons 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., Rev. A. E. Lavell, B. A.

Monday, July 15—Quoits' tournament.

Tuesday, July 16—Lecture, W. A. Douglass, B. A.

Thursday, July 18—Children's day.

Friday, July 19—Lecture, subject, "Life in Kingston Penitentiary," by Rev. A. E. Lavell, B. A.

Saturday, July 20—Grand vocal and instrumental concert.

Sunday, July 21—11 a. m. and 7 p. m., sermons, Master Jack Cooke, the wonderful boy preacher.

Monday, July 22—Bowling tournament.

Tuesday, July 23, at 3 p. m., Wednesday, July 24, at 8 p. m., and Thursday, July 25, at 3 p. m., addresses by the wonderful boy preacher, Master Jack Cooke, of Manchester, England.

Friday, July 25—Entertainment by School of Elocution, and "Chalk Talk," Rev. A. E. Lavell.

Saturday, July 27—H. Simpson, ventriloquist, and Grinnishy Park Mandolin and Guitar Club.

Sunday, July 28—11 a. m., sermon, Rev. J. S. Williamson; 3 p. m., sermon, Master Jack Cooke; 8 p. m., sermon, Master Jack Cooke.

Wednesday, July 31—Physical culture evening, under the direction of Mr. A. E. Hunt, Physical Director.

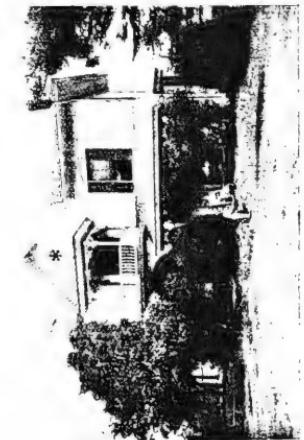
Thursday, Aug. 1—Decoration Day.

Saturday, Aug. 3—Grand vocal and instrumental concert.

Sunday, Aug. 4—11 a. m., sermon, Rev. Dr. Griffin; 3 p. m., sermon, Dr. Edwin A. Schell; 8 p. m., song service.

Monday, Aug. 5—Lecture, subject, "The New Generation," Rev. Dr. Edwin A. Schell.

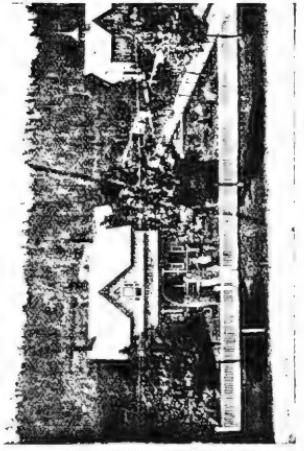




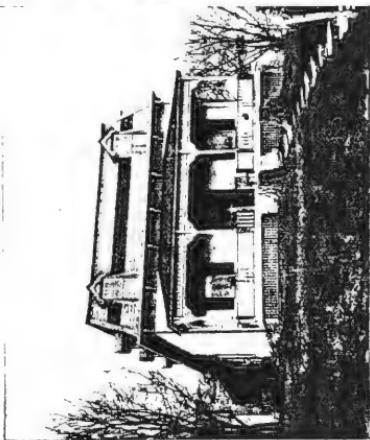
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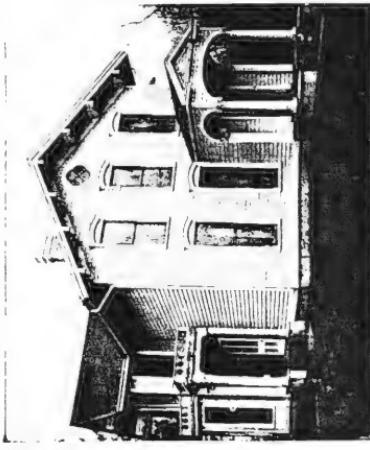
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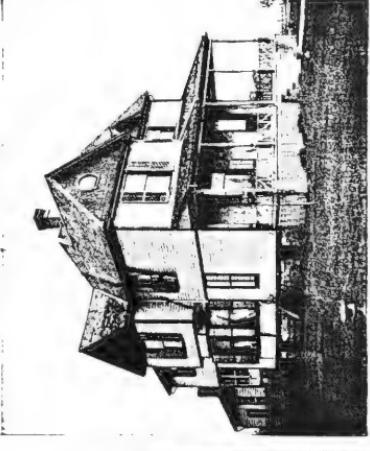
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Tuesday, Aug. 6—Quoiting tournament.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 8, 9 and 10—Illustrated lectures, W. Hinton White, of Boston.

Sunday, Aug. 11—11 a. m., Rev. Manly Benson, D. D.; 3 p. m., Rev. A. C. Hirst, D. D., LL. D.; 8 p. m., song service.

Monday, Aug. 12—Lecture, subject, "Will the Coming Educated Woman Marry?" Rev. A. C. Hirst, D. D., LL. D.

Tuesday, Aug. 13—Dramatic recitals, Chas. F. Underhill. Wednesday, Aug. 14—Grand vocal and instrumental concert, Thursday, Aug. 15—Dramatic recitals, Chas. F. Underhill.

Friday, Aug. 16—Physical culture evening. Saturday, Aug. 17—Grand hand concert by XIII Regimental Band, Hamilton.

Sunday, Aug. 18—11 a. m., sermon, Rev. E. B. Lanceley; 3 p. m., sermon, Rev. Ward Beecher Pickard.

Monday, Aug. 19—3 p. m., lecture, subject, "Ships that Pass in the Night," Rev. Ward Beecher Pickard.

Tuesday, Aug. 20—Ladies' day and ladies' entertainment.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 22, 23 and 24—Edison's projectoscope. Moving pictures, very latest scenes African war, funeral of the Queen, etc., etc.

Sunday, Aug. 25—11 a. m., sermon, Rev. Dr. Smith; 3 p. m., sermon, Rev. Dr. Chas. E. Locke; 8 p. m., song service.

Monday, Aug. 26—Lecture, subject, "What Scare Crows Do Not Scare," Rev. Dr. Chas. E. Locke.

Wednesday, Aug. 28—Grand closing concerts.

The official program is now ready, and will be sent to any address by applying to the Manager, H. B. Adams, Box 524, Toronto.

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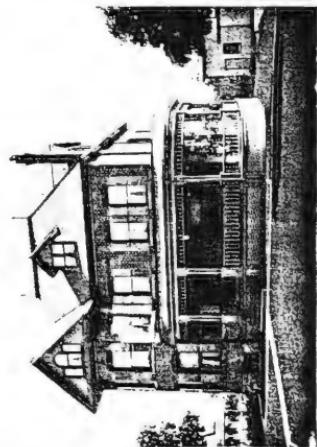
Much has been written and known about the Hellerleigh Nurseries, at Winona, Ont., and the superior excellence of all their products. Much is also known concerning the proprietor, Mr. E. D. Smith. Mr. Smith is at the present time member for Wentworth in the Dominion Parliament at Ottawa, and he owes his election to a considerable extent to the fact that he above all his fellow citizens in this constituency best represented the real and progressive interests of the fruit industry as applying to the Niagara district. As an M. P., Mr. Smith has been granted the happiness to have served his constituents well in a general legislative capacity, being intelligent and willing to adopt views different from his own, when satisfied of his own misjudgment in the first instance, by superior views expressed by others. In other words, he always investigates and considers logically and is ever "open to conviction." But it is as a special representative that his constituents are most pleased with him.

He has been personally instrumental in effecting the most important agreement between the Government of Canada and the steamship companies in the interests of fruit growers generally that it was possible to have done. By its operation Mr. Smith claims that the Province of Ontario alone will gain fully one million dollars and the carrying out of the agreement, he says, is practically guaranteed. The details are as follows: The Dominion Government has approached the transatlantic companies sailing from Canadian ports with an offer to pay one half of the expense incurred by the shipping companies in arranging cooled and ventilated compartments suitable for the carriage of apples, grapes and the harder fruits. Twenty ships are to be thus equipped, Mr. Smith estimates that this Province (Ontario) is ten millions of money poorer to-day than it would be if such a shipping service had have been instituted a decade ago. Fruit growers in particular will know how to appreciate this statement, and indeed it will appeal even to fruit eaters, especially in the European markets. Mr. Smith is by far the most extensive fruit grower, nurseryman and fruit shipper in this peninsula, if not in Canada. He puts his

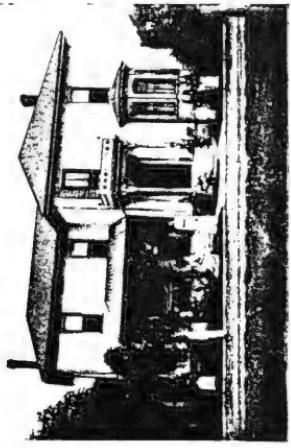




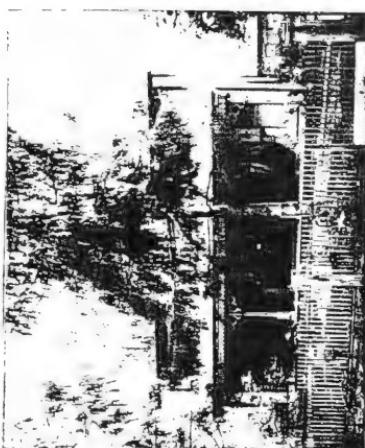
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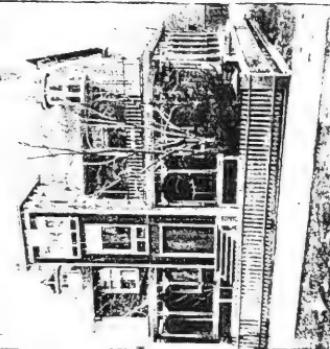
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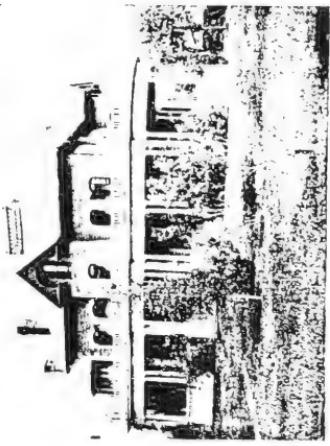
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RESIDENCE OF MRS. MARKENVEE, GRIMSBY.



whole life and energy into every phase presented from time to time touching any one of his lines and to the solution of problems arising effecting them. This season a uniform fruit basket and berry box bill was enacted into law, for which in large measure he was responsible, and the success attending his efforts is illustrated by the fact that the enactment enforces uniform sizes as follows: For larger fruits, 15 quarts; wine grapes, 11 quarts 2/3 and 2 1/3 quarts. For berry boxes, 4 1/2 and 2 1/2 quarts. These are standard sizes. Any other size used by shippers must be plainly stamped in letters 3/4 inch square showing in full the capacity. Mr. Smith's entire real estate holdings in this fruit district somewhat exceeds 450 acres. 150 acres of this is devoted to fruit raising, 150 directly to nursery stock, and 150 to general and mixed farming with the reservation always in force that the latter is subsidiary to nursery requirements. He shipped last year from his stations chiefly on the H. G. & B. R. 300 carloads of fruit to all quarters of the Dominion, each carload on an average amounting to ten tons, 3,000 tons! think of it, 6,000,000 lbs. of luscious fruit of every description! Then you (the reader) will commence to have some conception of the enormous quantities shipped from this whole district for Canadian consumption.

Mr. E. D. Smith is a Canadian, and he so represented himself to the census man; not alone a Canadian by birth, but also by ancestry. One might almost wonder how many people in this great Dominion can truthfully say that their ancestors were Canadian. Mr. Smith's father and mother were born in this country; his father and grandfather in this district; also his grand parents on both sides were born in Canada. He is truly a Canadian.

#### THE HELDERLEIGH NURSERIES.

At present, and probably for all time to come, the purchaser must have faith in the man of whom he buys nursery stock, and this trust must have a solid foundation on which to rest. It is the writer's conviction that, as a class, Canadian growers of stock are as fair in their dealings as any to be found. A distinction is made between growers and jobbers, for the latter may be deceived unwittingly, and that some are unscrupulous is a fact that has been taught by costly experience.

While many planters have been so cruelly deceived by worthless and incorrectly named fruit as to render them suspicious of all nurseries, yet the fact remains that if care is taken to see that the agent is accredited by some one of our leading Canadian growers, there need be no apprehension of getting stock untrue to name.

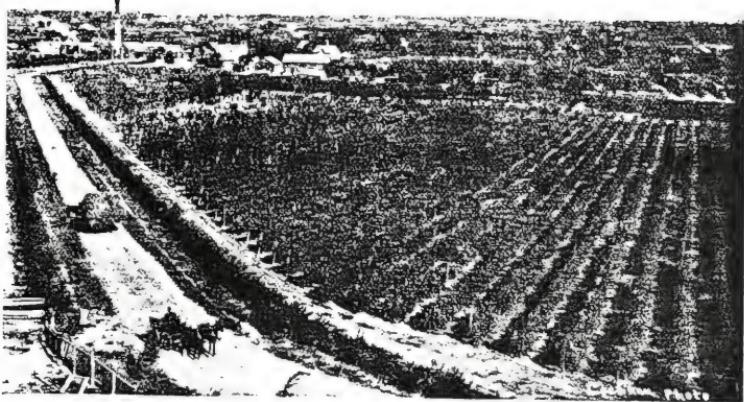
These comments are, however, only preliminary to more particular references, by description and illustration, to the celebrated Helderleigh nurseries at Winona, Ont., owned and managed by Mr. E. D. Smith, an enterprising and successful Canadian. Mr. Smith's experience began in 1877 as a farmer, but soon thereafter he saw the future of fruit culture, and the need of a Canadian supply of stock. For a time we were almost entirely dependent on American growers and jobbers, but, now we are, happily, freed from this incubus by reason of the enterprise of men like Mr. Smith and others equally patriotic. The "Helderleigh" concern really had its inception in 1882, but the increase from less than 100 acres of area to 400 or 500 acres is not the most significant part of the story, for the valuable experience gathered during the succeeding years is an equally important asset.

But before giving figures as to the stock, present and prospective, let us take a look at the location. The nurseries are a few miles east of Hamilton, in the midst of a veritable fruit garden. From the mountain top one looks down on a lovely plateau, extending from the shores of Lake Ontario to the bluffs that overhang the whole. The nurseries are situated along the base of the escarpment, on alluvial soil, formed partly from disintegrated rock, and differing greatly in character, and thus the most suitable and varied soil is available from which to select that which is specially adapted to each kind of fruit. And every experienced grower knows that much depends on the vigor and antithoughtfulness of a tree in its early growth. The soil of the upper plateau is no better than can be found on thousands of farms in Ontario, and here Mr. Smith gathers fine crops of plums, and in 1899 the nineteen acres of vineyard yielded four tons per acre, and no frost touched them. Can the reader realize these figures? There are 125,000 plum trees now growing in the nursery, 120,000 pears, 32,000 apples, 100,000 peaches. Five thousand plum trees are in bearing, and 6,000 pears are planted in orchards for fruiting and 50 acres in vineyards. While speaking of plums, it may be added that this delectable fruit is quickly coming to the front, and it only requires a wise selection to ensure a profit per acre ten times greater than that from grain. The kinds Mr. Smith advises are: Emerald, Abundance, Diamond, Burlank, Yellow Egg, Lombard, Wickson, Empire, Brachshaw, Niagara and Imperial Cage.

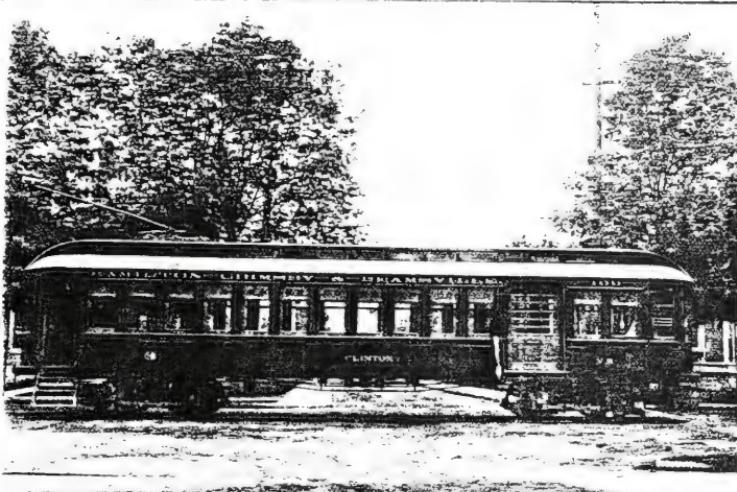
In order to meet the constantly increasing demand, 300,000 apples, 50,000 plums, 45,000 pears and 40,000 cherries will be planted this spring, and 100 bushels of peach pits or seed will be deposited in the bosom of mother earth.

In order to ensure safety during the winter and early delivery in the





STONEY CREEK, SHOWING FINE VINEYARD SCENE.



THE "CLINTON," ONE OF THE H. G. & B. PALACE ELECTRIC CARS.



spring, an immense frost-proof tree cellar has been built above ground. This structure is 100 x 108 feet, and addition to one already in use, 34 x 76 feet, enables Mr. Smith to dig over 100,000 trees in the fall and house them in perfect immunity from frost, and stock can be thus delivered for much earlier planting than by the old system of digging from the field.

#### THE HAMILTON, GRIMSBY AND BEAMSVILLE ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

Electric lines to suburban districts radiating from populous centres have become popular as well as necessary, and the matter-of-course way in which the public take and use these conveniences proves their timeliness. It has been said by some one that service of any kind will compel its own patronage. This is true, and the best service always commands a commensurate return. The Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Electric Railway Company operates a line "through the garden of Canada," for a distance of 24 miles all told. From Hamilton, at the head of Lake Ontario, to Beamsville, Ont., 23 miles eastward, with a branch a mile long from the main line into the grounds of the Grimsby Park. Cars leave James street south, in the very centre of the city of Hamilton every hour and run through the villages of Bartonville, Stoney Creek, Winona, Grimsby and Grimsby Park to Beamsville, returning from Grimsby Park to Hamilton every hour also. This is one of the show trips of this part of the Dominion, being a trip through what is aptly called by the advertising management of the road, "the Garden of Canada." The traveller passes literally in the midst of hundreds of orchards and vineyards and by the very doors of dozens upon dozens of palatial residences belonging to the fruit growers hereabouts, forming a district which is without question the most successful fruit producer on the continent of America. (See views of orchards and vineyards in this publication). The rolling stock comprises seventeen cars, passengers and freight, all, of course, motor cars. This is the pioneer electric radial railway in Canada, and this being so, one does not wonder at the perfect service, both passenger and freight, maintained by the company. The passenger cars are fairly represented by the "Clinton," a view of which may be seen on another page, being the finest made or available to be had. They carry the mails and from the doors of the express compartments are put off at subscribers' platforms—the Hamilton daily papers. The Dominion Express Co. gives a service each way three times a day, besides a local express. Four freight services are given daily, and in the fruit season this becomes almost continuous. Fruit graded by shippers anywhere along the line up to and as late as six p.m.

may be shipped to Ottawa or Montreal, arriving at 6 a.m. the following day, without transhipment. Freight and express may be shipped to or received from any railway or express office in the world.

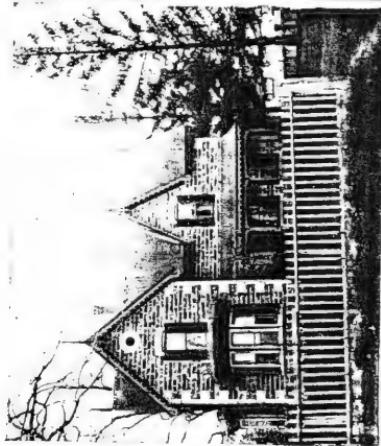
To give the reader some idea of this line of railway and its services, the writer will employ the following statistical data: Passengers carried last year, 258,000; tons of freight, 8,705; packages of fruit, 280,000. And when one considers that this great amount of package fruit was handled without the loss of a single package, the fact that this is truly a well managed institution is apparent. When this line was in embryo and right of way was being sought, a great many people opposed municipal and other rights being granted, but to-day not one vote could be registered against it, while there is scarcely a land-owner along the route who would not jump at the chance to invest in its stock. The writer has ridden on many electric lines, urban and suburban, in Canada and the United States, receiving nowhere greater courtesy or service of a more prompt and reliable character. Mr. A. J. Nelles, the manager, is a capable man, and one who has the spirit of the times running through his make-up.

#### C. P. CARPENTER & SONS, GRAPE DALE ORCHARDS AND NURSERIES, WINONA, ONT.

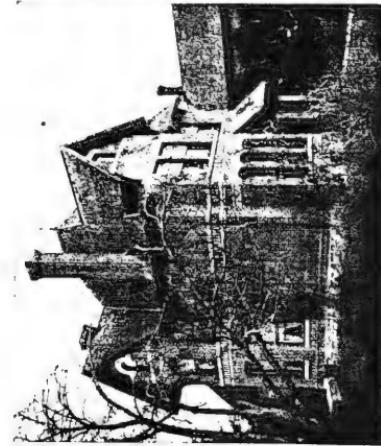
One of the oldest and best known fruit farms in the famous fruit garden of the Niagara Peninsula is that owned by Messrs. C. P. Carpenter & Sons, Winona. Winona is the greatest fruit shipping centre in the Niagara Peninsula, and this is equivalent to saying in all the Dominion of Canada. This splendid establishment comprises 200 acres, and is the climax of model fruit farms in that district of perfectness in this line. The ~~orchards~~ <sup>domain</sup> ~~domain~~ apple, peach, plum, pear, cherry and quince trees, and in the small fruits are raspberries, strawberries, blackcherries, gooseberries, red and black currants, etc., and it is a point observed by the Messrs. Carpenter that only the thoroughly tried and favorite varieties are grown. In the acreage of grapes are to be found the entire range, and the perfect care and culture bestowed upon the vines is evidenced in the superior quality of the fruit, as no finer samples of grapes are grown in Canada than the product of the Grape Dale Vineyards.

During the season of 1900 the amount of fruit shipped by them exceeded 5,600,000 pounds, or 280 full car loads, and which were shipped from one end of Canada to the other—to every town reached by an Express Company. This quantity was made up of 71,000 baskets of plums, 93,000 baskets of peaches, 34,000 baskets of pears, 6,500 baskets of cherries, 4,200 barrels of

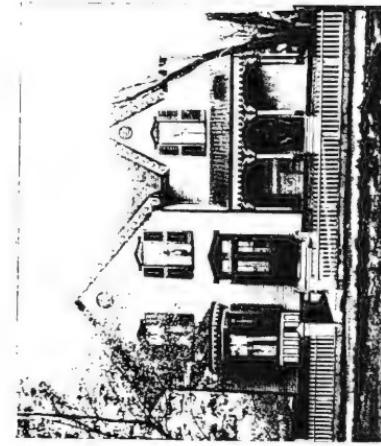




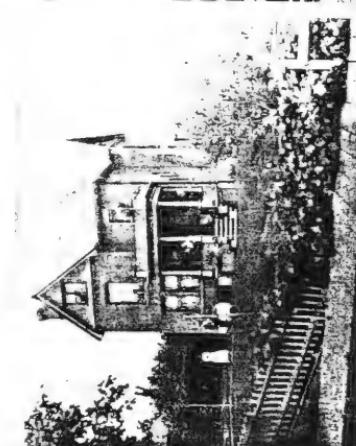
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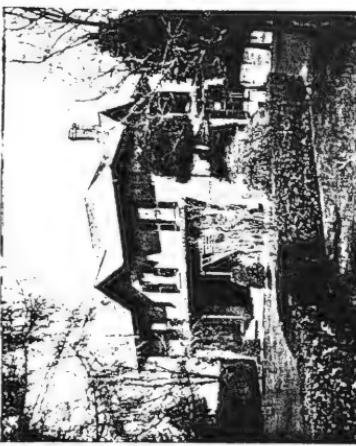
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RESIDENCE OF DR. WOOLVERTON, GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE OF C. W. VASSILIZER, GRIMSBY.



apples, 260,000 baskets of grapes, and 150,000 boxes of small fruits, the cash value of which exceeded \$6,000.

The handling of this immense quantity of fruit entails a wonderful amount of care and system, and a large number of experienced hands are employed in this department.

The shipping facilities could not be excelled, they having a large warehouse alongside the Hamilton, Grimsby & Brantville Electric and Canadian Pacific Railway track, and a mammoth one at the Grand Trunk Railway station, with the capacity of ten full car loads. As an instance of the volume of fruit that can be handled in one day, 167,000 pounds were loaded and shipped within eighteen hours during the past season.

A large quantity of this fruit is shipped to the Maritime Provinces in refrigerator express cars, the method used in distributing being to make up separate orders for each small dealer, which are discharged I from the special express cars to all the small towns and cities between Campbellton, N. B., and Halifax, N. S.

This firm were the pioneers in the line of fruit shipping to these distant Provinces, and practically control the trade there. The Canadian Express Company appreciated the enterprise shown, and built for them specially constructed refrigerator cars to ensure safe arrival of the fruit, and these shipments always reach their destination in splendid marketable condition. They have also shipped fruit to the United States, and even so far as the British West Indies and the Argentine.

The progressiveness of the Messes. Carpenter is agreeably recognized by the small growers, who dispose of their product to them at a price in the orchard thereby obviating the necessity of shipping it to the commission house in Montreal, Toronto, London, and small towns.

The nursery department in both fruit, ornamental as well as rose culture will be found replete with the best standard varieties, and all that are new and meritorious, their endeavor being to procure, as soon as introduced, every novelty that promises to be worthy of dissemination.

The seedling stock is procured in France, being considered much preferable to our native or American product. The propagation of this stock is most carefully looked after, and a criterion of its quality is seen in the fact that the growers adjacent to Winona, prefer the Carpenter stock to any other.

In 1899 the Grimsby Nursery, owned by Mr. H. C. Kerman, was acquired,

and this is now under the superintendency of Mr. James Nokes, who is a practical nurseryman of twenty years experience. The immense stock cultivated, embracing great and varied collections suited to different soils and climates, and the large force of skilled nursery assistance which they employ in addition to the exceptional facilities for handling, packing and shipping, place them in a position excelled by no other house in the trade.

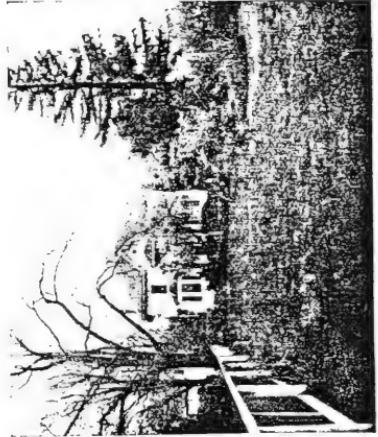
#### THOMAS STEWART, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER AND AGRICULTURIST, FRUITLAND, ONT.

Mr. Thomas Stewart, of Fruitland, Ont., owns about 100 acres of farm land about evenly divided between fruit and mixed farming. In fruit Mr. Stewart has, at one time, 100 peach and 5,000 plum trees, 20,000 bearing, and some pear trees, also in small fruits some very fine strawberries covers the list. He ships mostly to Montreal and Ottawa, receiving for his crop last year as follows: For 300 tons of grapes \$40 per ton. For 3000 bushels of plums .30 cents per basket, and 40 cents per basket for peaches. Mr. Stewart proposes this present season to put out 2000 grape vines, and also a quantity of plums and peaches. These extensions will add very largely to his fruit bearing area. Mr. Stewart is very sanguine for the future of the fruit growing industry in this district, having nothing to wish for but the boon of cheaper shipping rates coupled with more rapid transit and better accommodation to save fruit from perishing en route to distant markets. Such improvement on the part of transportation companies Mr. Stewart thinks would be the greatest good, next to propitious seasons, which could come to this section of Canada.

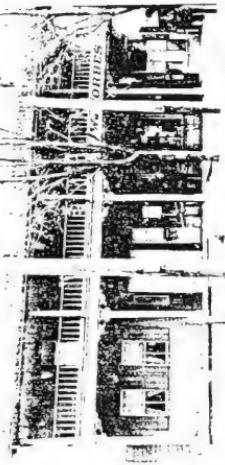
#### J. W. SMITH & SONS, NURSERYMEN AND FRUIT GROWERS, WINONA, ONT.

Messes. J. W. Smith & Sons own and control 355 acres of land in this the finest fruit growing section of America, 220 acres at Winona and 135 acres at Vineland. Of this extensive area 180 acres are devoted to fruit raising and nursery purposes. Messrs. Smith & Sons ship all their own fruit instead of disposing of their crops to local dealers or to the market. This plan, Mr. Smith, Sr., explains, safeguards the firm's interests for the better, because it enables them to place the best fruits in the best market, thus conserving the reputation of their product. Whereas the goods is frequently credited to the bad grower and vice versa, when handled by the local dealer method. Last year the output in fruit of Messrs. J. W. Smith & Sons was as follows: 850 baskets of peaches, 900 baskets of plums and pears, 850 baskets of grapes,

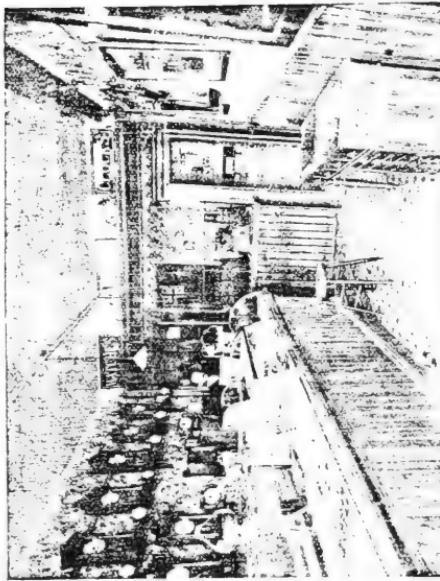




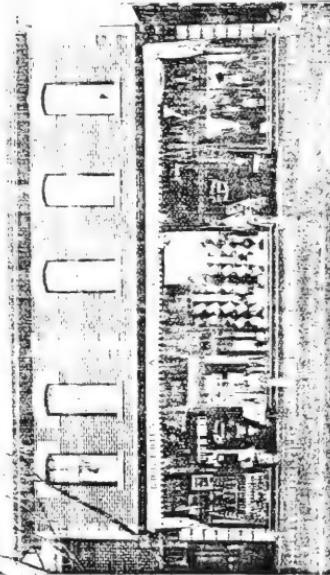
PROPERTY OF VANNUZER & GRIFFITH, GRIMSBY (FOR SALE).



WM. FORBES' STORE AND POST OFFICE, GRIMSBY.



G. E. MILLER'S JEWELRY STORE, GRIMSBY.



A. F. HAWKE'S DEPARTMENT STORE, GRIMSBY.



800 barrels of apples. This fruit was shipped principally to towns and cities in Ontario. In the nursery there are carried from year to year from 250,000 to 300,000 trees of all varieties, with a disposal annually of from 75,000 to 125,000, and in the orchards 250,000 trees bearing and coming in, and 12,000 grape vines. The ensuing spring it is intended to extend the size of the orchards by about 5000 trees, while this year 1000 trees and 5000 grape vines were added. Messrs. J. W. Smith & Sons are well to the fore as both leading growers and nurserymen, and indeed the enterprises which here displayed guarantees that standing. Photo-engravings of both father and son are shown in this volume, also a view of the home place.

#### A. H. PETTIT, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Here is one of the most successful as well as perhaps the most prominent fruit grower in the Niagara district. This distinction is not based on the width of his acreage, nor the size of his annual growth, but rather upon the eminently careful and wise methods by which he proceeds. Mr. Pettit is well known amongst those interested in fruit culture, not only in Canada but abroad. He is a successful experimentalist in fruit shipment to European markets, and his judgment always based upon sound experience receives universal credence at the hands of his conferees. He represented the Ontario Government at the World's Fair in 1893, and so well was his work done in the choice of exhibits, and the proper showing of the same, that it resulted in the securing for Canadian fruit of as much as four times the number of awards given to any other province or country, or state of the union. Mr. Pettit was secretary of the Central Farmers' Institute of Ontario when that society was in vogue, and as such he visited frequently kindred societies in Canada and the States and thus gained much practical knowledge. Mr. Pettit has to his credit the shipment of 134 cases of peaches to England, 64 in a case, some of which sold over there for as high as 18s. 6d. sterling per case. Last year he produced 3500 baskets of peaches, 10 tons of grapes, 350 barrels of pears, and 2000 barrels of apples, the two latter he shipped principally to the old country. Mr. Pettit's father was the late Andrew Pettit. His grandfather settled in this country in the year 1787, his father being born on this farm in the year 1790, all of which combines to make him a real Canadian, by ancestry at well as by birth.

#### W. M. ORR, J. P., FRUIT GROWER AND AGRICULTURIST,

Mr. W. M. Orr, of Fruitland, Ont., is really one of this district's most eminent fruit growers and experimentalists. His prominence as such has been

recognized by his associates, and his election as president of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association for a second time proves this in most positive and practical way. Mr. Orr was attached to the Ontario fruit exhibit at the World's Fair in 1893, as assistant superintendent of the curated, and won four awards for fruit produced on his own farm. He also secured two awards in Paris in 1900. Mr. Orr was also superintendent for four years of the experimental spraying conducted under the authority of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The subject of this sketch owns one of the finest farms in the Niagara peninsula. It consists of 185 acres, 160 acres of which are under cultivation. Fifty acres of this is devoted to fruit, chiefly grapes, pears, plums and peaches. This crop is shipped to all parts of Canada and to Great Britain. Mr. Orr is absolutely untiring in his efforts to improve fruit growing and shipping conditions and facilities. Much has been effected on these lines in recent years and no man can lay greater claim to credit than he, both in the line of precept and example, the latter if anything being most prominent, as his production of fruit has always rated the very highest in point of excellence. Besides he has by his careful methods invariably proven the quantity.

#### J. E. VANDUZER, ESQ., PROPRIETOR OF POMONA ORCHARDS, WINONA, ONTARIO.

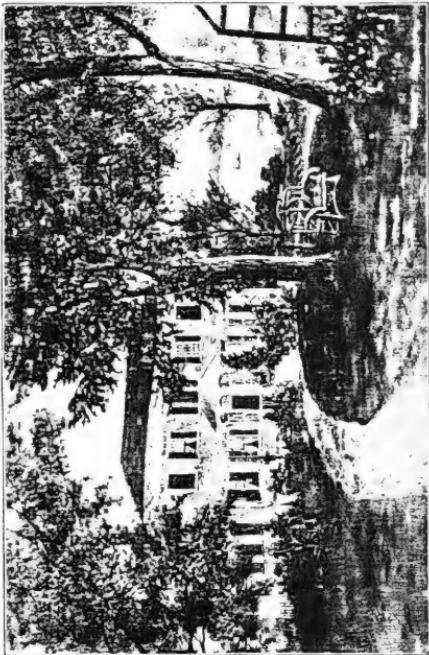
Mr. Ira E. Vanduzer, proprietor of Pomona Orchards fruit farm, Winona, is a very successful grower of and dealer in all kinds of domestic fruits. Formerly, Mr. Vanduzer engaged to a very large extent in the fruit nursery business, but his interests have for some years centred more and more in the production of fruit, until now he has ceased the nursery work altogether and is devoting his whole time and attention to fruit growing and shipping. The Pomona Orchards comprise about 45 acres, set in peaches, plums, pears, cherries and grapes, all bearing and in high class condition, in addition to which he has lately planted an orchard of 4 acres in plums and also 3 acres of grapes.

The Pomona Orchards produced last year the following quantities of various fruits : Of plums, 1000 baskets ; peaches, 5000 baskets ; pears, 1000 baskets ; grapes, 10 tons, besides large quantities of cherries, quinces and small fruits. Of all this, Mr. Vanduzer ships principally to cities and towns in Western Ontario, with lesser shipments to Ottawa and Montreal. Prices obtained in 1899 were, for plums, 30 to 35 cents per basket ; Peaches 35 to 45 cents ; years 30 cents ; grapes \$2.50 to \$3.00 per ton, showing that at a fair average the income from forty-five acres of productive fruit land exceeded the sum of \$5,000.

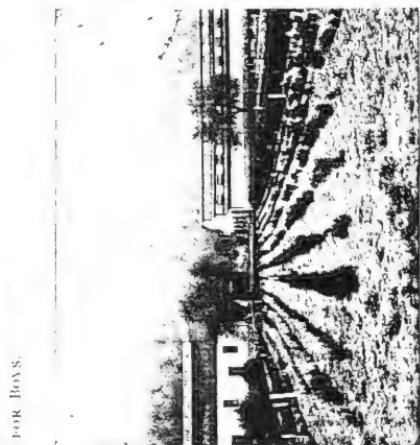




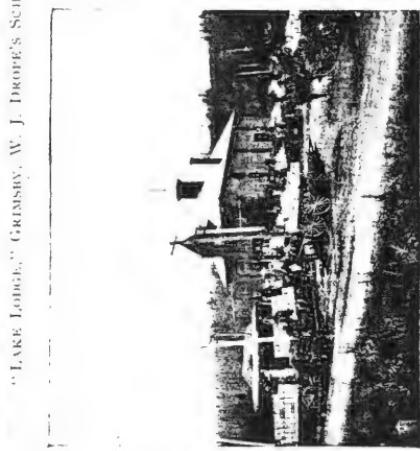
"LAKE LODGE," GRAMMYS, W. J. DROPE'S SCHOOL, FOR BOYS.



CRICKET FIELD, "LAKE LODGE," W. J. DROPE'S SCHOOL, FOR BOYS.



"LAKE LODGE," GRAMMYS, W. J. DROPE'S SCHOOL, FOR BOYS.



E. D. SMITH'S SHIPPING STATION, WISCONSIN.

NURSERY AND CELLARS OF E. D. SMITH, WISCONSIN.

E. D. SMITH, WISCONSIN.



dollars income from 45 acres! No wonder land is valuable in the Grimsby district. Mr. VanDuzer thinks that on the whole fruit farming pays. Amongst the illustrations in this issue may be seen a fine view of Mr. VanDuzer's home.

#### "HEDGE LAWN," THE HOME OF MR. S. WHITTAKER, FRUIT GROWER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

This popular fruit farm is located three-quarters of a mile east from the village of Grimsby, on the Queenston and Grimsby stone road, and is so called because of the magnificent private hedge which runs right up to the front entrance door to the residence from the road, and which has been trained to form a beautiful arch over the door, producing a most handsome effect. Mr. Whittaker gained possession of this property twenty-eight years ago, when it was in a very crude state as compared with its present excellent condition. The improvement is marked as it is now one of the handsomest homes in the district. It contains 16 acres of peaches, plums, pears, apples and small fruit, producing last year the following quantities: 200 barrels of late apples, 1,500 baskets of early apples, 3,000 baskets of peaches, 200 baskets of plums, 200 baskets of pears, and 400 crates of small fruits. This was all shipped by Mr. Whittaker to Ottawa and other points, receiving for it in every case the highest ruling prices on account of its extremely fine quality and excellent packing.

#### MESSRS. VANDUZER & GRIFFITHS, FRUIT GROWERS AND DEALERS, GRIMSBY, ONT.

The fruit growing and shipping firm of Vanduzer & Griffith, Grimsby, Ontario, enjoys a very wide connection with the fruit trade both of Canada and Europe. Last year these gentlemen handled and shipped from Grimsby, 110 cars of fruit, averaging 10 tons per car, or a total of 1,100 tons. Two million two hundred thousand pounds of fruit. Of this immense quantity they themselves produced the growth off of sixty-five acres planted in peaches, apples, plums, pears, grapes and berries.

Their own growth, however, while equal to the best grown in this district, both in quantity and quality, was but a small percentage when compared to the total amount of their shipment during the season. The firm buys whole crops of fruit frequently on the limb and they are in the market for all first class fruit from the time berries commence in June until apples are over with in the autumn. They find it advantageous to pack all fruit handled by them and to ship under a special brand. The firm's warehouse and shipping plant is situated on the Grand Trunk Railway, Grimsby, Ont. The whole of

Canada, from Halifax to Winnipeg, contribute to this firm's patronage, shipping as it does to every city, village and hamlet almost in the territory indicated, besides being large shippers of apples to the English, Scotch and German markets. Vanduzer & Griffiths as fruit dealers promise to grow stronger year by year.

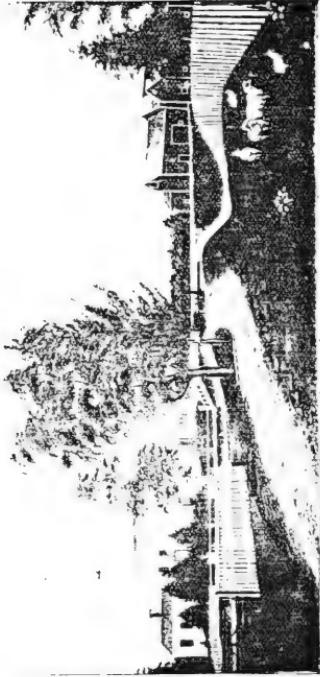
#### HUGH H. ANDERSON, ESQ., GRIMSBY, ONT., PROPRIETOR OF "MOUNTAIN VIEW ORCHARDS."

Amongst the large number of sound and solidmen whom Grimsby claims as citizens, perhaps none are more prominent and deservedly well known than is Mr. Hugh H. Anderson, fruit grower, valuator and educationist. Mr. Anderson was born in the village of Grimsby, being the son and grandson of Grimsby men, the late Hugh Anderson and Charles Anderson respectively. For a period of twenty-five years he has acted for the Hamilton Provident and Loan Society as valuator in the counties of Wentworth and Lincoln, gaining for himself a reputation for fairness and good judgment as to land values second to none in this province. His fellow citizens have placed their seal of approval upon him inasmuch as he has for thirty-one years been Secretary-Treasurer of the Grimsby School Board. For several years also Treasurer of the famous Grimsby Park. In short, the subject of our sketch is one of the foremost men of this district, whose influence socially, in business and politics is earnestly sought, and universally appreciated when secured. His politics may be guessed when it is stated that for years he filled the various offices of secretary, treasurer and president of the Liberal Conservative Association in this district. As a fruit farmer Mr. Anderson ranks very high. Last year his trees and vines produced as follows : Grapes, 30,000 baskets; raspberries, 500 crates; pears, 500 baskets; plums, 4,000 baskets; peaches, 14,000 baskets; and apples, 70 barrels. These quantities exceed the productions of 1899 by about 40 per cent. all round. The prices obtained however were reduced as compared with 1899, from 5 to 15 per cent. The profit in fruit raising is so certainly demonstrated, however, that in the instance of Mountain View Orchards, Mr. Anderson's farm, it is proposed this year to enlarge by same 1,500 trees, pear and plum. So it is all over the district. A view of this gentleman's beautiful home may be seen in this issue amongst the illustrations.

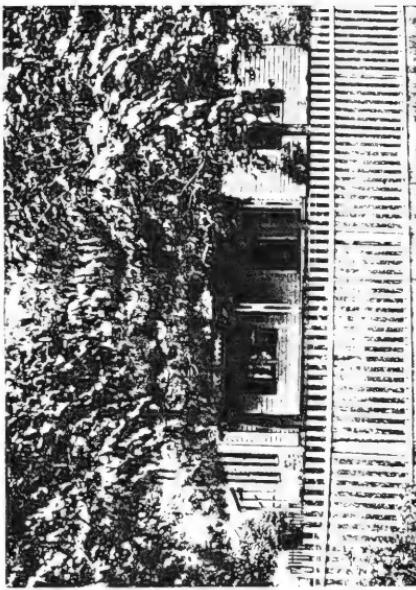
#### J. AMBROSE PETTIT, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. J. Ambrose Pettit is a native of this district. He owns a farm of 60 acres about one mile west from the village of Grimsby, 40 acres of which is

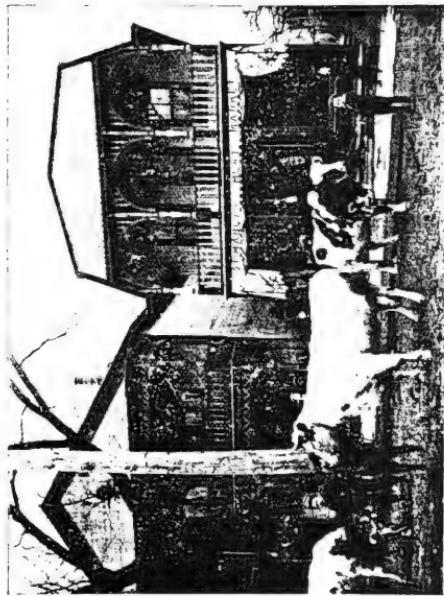




FARM RESIDENCE OF W. B. CALDER, GRIMSBY.



HOME OF MR. WILLIS BEAMER, GRIMSBY.



MADDA'S MEAT MARKET, GRIMSBY



GROUP OF HOLSTEIN DAIRY CATTLE ON FARM OF W. B. CALDER, GRIMSBY.



devoted to fruit: 16 acres peaches, 7 acres plums, 3 acres grapes, 10 acres berries—strawberries, raspberries and blackberries, and 4 acres in winter apples. Last year Mr. Pettit produced 2,000 baskets of peaches, 1,000 crates of berries, 8 tons of grapes, and berries and apples in proportion. Mr. Pettit is the son of the late J. R. Pettit who settled here in the year 1820. He at one time possessed a farm here of 160 acres, but of late years has disposed of 100 acres, considering that at the increasingly high price for land, the money invested in acreage not fully cultivated was a dead loss, so he decided that 60 acres well tilled would be far ahead in productivity than twice that amount indefinitely cultivated as is too often the case when a large force of workmen must be relied on. Mr. Pettit is certainly one of the district's successful growers.

#### LINUS WOOLVERTON, M. A.

"Maplehurst," the home of Mr. Linus Woolverton, is located about two miles from the village of Grimsby, to the westward, on the main road between Hamilton and Grimsby, and a station also, of the Hamilton, Grimsby & Beamsville Electric Railway. A view of this beautiful home may be seen amongst the illustrations in this issue. Mr. Woolverton is one of the foremost fruit raisers in this wide Dominion, of which from a fruit standpoint, the Niagara peninsula forms so important a part, and his prominence in the production of fine fruit of all sorts has been recognized by his associates in Ontario most signalily. He is secretary of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario, as well as of the Ontario Fruit Experiment Stations. His farm near Grimsby is one of the most prominent fruit and experimental orchards in Ontario, producing from 2,000 to 3,000 barrels of apples per annum, 2,000 baskets of pears, 1,000 baskets of cherries, 1,000 baskets of plums, 2,000 baskets of peaches, 500 baskets of quinces, and 10 tons of grapes, small berry fruit in proportion. Of this total production it was mostly shipped to the city of Ottawa, until last year when some of the choicest apples and pears were shipped to the British market, under experimental conditions.

Mr. Woolverton's honesteed is also one of the very finest in the district, as it is one of the oldest. It was cleared and opened about the year 1780, and part of the land was devoted to fruit almost immediately, as it boasted of an orchard when it came into the possession of Jonathan Woolverton in the year 1795. Mr. Linus Woolverton, the present owner, is a grandson of Jonathan and the son of the late Charles Woolverton. He is a successful journalist as well as farmer and fruit raiser, being the editor of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST,

published at Grimsby, Ont. This influential flower and fruit journal goes to every part of Canada and the United States, and The Reviewer has pleasure in testifying to the energy and capability with which it is conducted. Mr. Woolverton as a citizen is always to the fore in every progressive interest and work.

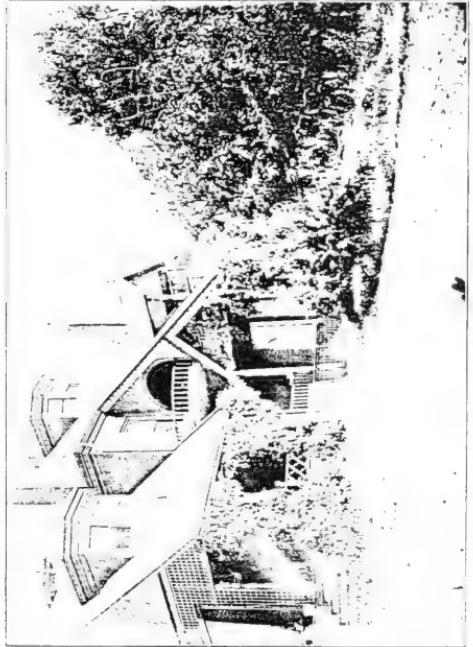
#### E. W. SMITH, ESQ., GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. E. W. Smith is one of this district's young men of promise. He is the son of George Smith, Esq., and the nephew and heir of the late J. Henry Smith, whose beautiful property and palatial home for more than ten years been one of the show places of this part of Canada. Mr. Smith has a fruit farm near Grimsby of 35 acres, principally peaches, although large numbers of pears and plums are also in bearing. He disposes of the entire growth of his acreage to the shipping firm of C. P. Carpenter & Sons, Winona, Ont. Mr. Smith is a prominent broker and for his years (33) he is said to be a splendid judge of the stock market. He is also interested in gold and iron mining in New Ontario, being at present vice-president of the Combined Gold Miners' Co. of Ontario. He is married to a daughter of Horace Shaver, Esq., banker, Ancaster, Ont. Mr. Smith is prominently known as an earnest Liberal in politics, ever in the van when that party's interests are challenged or endangered, and much mention of his name has been made in connection with parliamentary and other political honors. Through it all, however, no hint has ever emanated from him indicating that such preference would be agreeable to him. This district is fortunately well equipped with citizens of Mr. Smith's type.

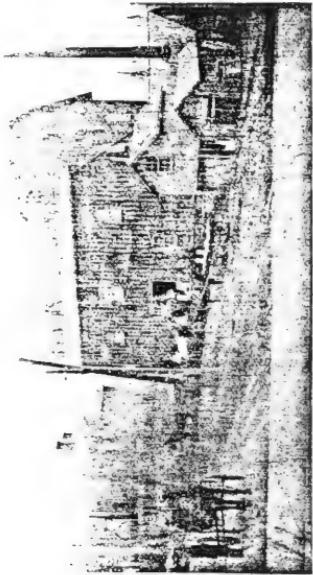
#### JONATHAN CARPENTER, ESQ., STOCK RAISER AND FRUIT GROWER, WINONA, ONT.

Jonathan Carpenter, Esq., is one of the oldest and most successful fruit growers in this specially favored land. Mr. Carpenter enjoys a well earned reputation as a stock breeder also. His farm embraces an area of 130 acres, 40 acres of which are devoted to fruit—peaches, apples, grapes and berries. Referring to the reputation of Mr. Carpenter on the line of stock breeding, his horse flesh has certainly been famous for speed, including Fules Stanton, with a mark of 2:12, May C., with a record of 2:14, and trotted in 7. Big Fan, Pogis Stanton (pacer) in 2:17. There are two now in his stables with a mile showing of 20, i. e., Joe Miller and Madge K. He has exported a large number of flyers and others to the old country and his stables are full of young stock. Mr. Carpenter sold one cow, Ida of St. Lambert, to Messrs. Miller & Silby, of





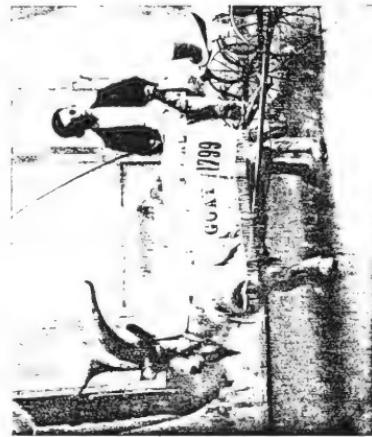
"MAPLEHURST," HOME OF L. WOOD, ERTON, ESO., GRIMSBY.



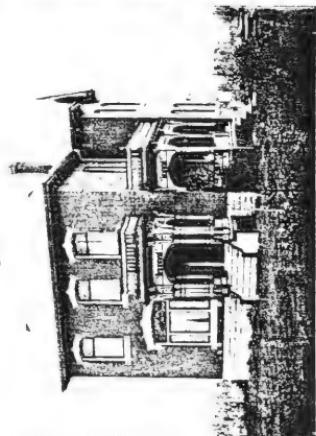
W. F. LEWIS' FLOUR MILLS, GRIMSBY



RESIDENCE OF REV. DR. LUCAS, GRIMSBY.



ORIGINAL GOAT, GRIMSBY A. F. & A. M.



RESIDENCE OF DAVID ALLEN, GRIMSBY.



Franklin, Pa., for as high a sum as \$6,500. This cow had to her credit for seven days 30 lbs. and 2½ oz. of butter. In 31 days 1,891 lbs. of milk, an average of 61 lbs. per day, and in 7 days 455½ lbs. of milk. Such a cow was worth the money, for her butter alone producing enough in the year to pay five per cent on her cost, not to mention the matter of breeding. This sale ranks at the top in this country and this is true although Mr. Carpenter modestly disclaims any special credit thereto. Mr. Carpenter's father was born in this district, his grandfather coming here after the war of 1776. He was a U. E. Loyalist, emigrating to this country from New Jersey when George the First, of America took power. So that he can truly claim to be a Canadian born and bred. Among the illustrations in this publication may be seen a view of the Evergreen Avenue approaching Mr. Carpenter's residence, and also the Carpenter home. The avenue is the most beautiful in Canada for its length, being nearly one-half mile long.

#### GEORGE H. RILETT, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER AND AGRICULTURIST, WINONA, ONT.

Mr. George H. Rilett, Winona, Ont., is one of this district's most intelligent and enterprising citizens. He was born here. His father was a Lincolnshire, England man who came to this country as a young man and later did "grow up" with it. Mr. Rilett has a most commendable mania for building up and establishing in order elegant homes and splendid farms. He resides on a farm of 37 acres located on the line of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beaverville Railway, which he purchased some four years ago. This property was then bare, not a tree or a shrub or a building of any kind upon it. Now, within forty-eight months, see the change. Every acre is under cultivation and devoted to fruit of some sort, a splendid residence and other buildings to compare. In the illustrated portion of this souvenir may be seen a fine engraving of Mr. Rilett's handsome residence. He owns a farm of 126 acres on the mountain which also has 20 acres of fruit; the balance of 105 acres is devoted to grain, hay and stock farming. The latter, "Vinemount," is the homestead, left him by his father. It lies within half a mile of school, creamery, station, and post office, and is for sale, good buildings and all for \$9,000. Mr. Rilett's present home farm is the third one he has brought to perfection by his methods backed up by energy and perseverance, and as said before he has a mania for this sort of thing. He buys and sells, after having so improved his parcels that he can realize a large profit by the transaction. This is really doing pioneer work of the best sort. There are many men who can keep a farm up, but who

have not the courage or ability to build one up. Such men find Mr. Rilett and his class of enterprising man a Godsend and they willingly pay for established and settled homes.

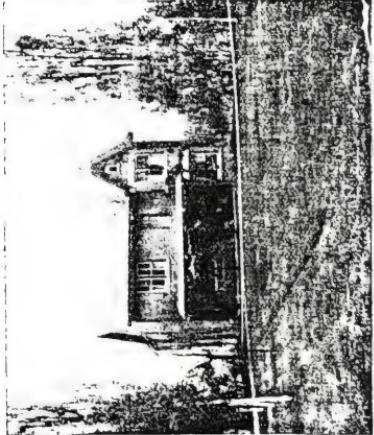
#### W. D. KITCHEN, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER AND AGRICULTURIST, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. W. D. Kitchen, of Grimsby, Ont., is one of the peninsula's best known citizens and most successful farmers. He owns and occupies a most charming home just a little south-west of the famous Grimsby Park, a view of which appears amongst the illustrations of this issue. His holdings amount to nearly 250 acres in Grimsby and Clintonships, a little over one-half of which is planted with and producing fruit such as peaches, apples, pears, plums, cherries, grapes and berries, last year giving up 100 tons of grapes, 800 baskets of pears, 400 crates of berries, 6,000 baskets of peaches, 300 barrels of apples, 200 baskets of plums, and 300 baskets of cherries. A large portion of berries and peaches of this entire crop was sold on the premises in bulk on the trees, to Messrs. VanDuzer & Griffiths, large dealers in Grimsby. The total number of vines and trees in Mr. Kitchen's orchards are as follows: 12,000 grape vines, 3,000 peach trees, 500 plum, 650 cherry, 1,500 pear, and 8 acres of raspberry and strawberry, to which is being added this year 650 plum trees and 1,100 peach trees. This is a very valuable fruit farm indeed, and besides fruit it produces immensely of all ordinary grain and food crops.

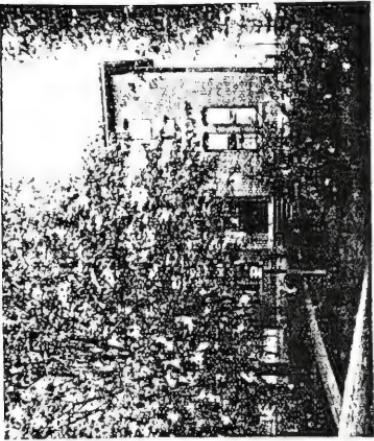
#### A. VANCE CLINE, ESQ., GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. A. Vance Cline is a very successful fruit farmer, his farm being located about two miles west of the village on the main highway between Hamilton and Grimsby, and also a station on the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beaverville Railway. Mr. Cline owns altogether 110 acres in one farm, 60 acres of which is devoted to fruit—plum, pear and grapes. His production in 1900 was 9,000 baskets of plums, 3,000 of pears, and 50 tons of grapes. Of late years this entire crop has been sold to C. P. Carpenter & Sons, of Winona, for about \$4,000 per annum. Plans are laid now, which will fructify within a few years, looking to the planting of twenty-five more acres into fruit, and as this farm is composed of a clay loam, which is best adapted for pears, plums, grapes, etc., its continual success is assured. Mr. Cline's home, residence and orchards are illustrated and shown in this issue and as samples of many charming places in this district we have pleasure in showing them. Mr. Cline is the first one in this section to try irrigation, getting the water from Lake Ontario by the aid of a gasoline engine and pump.

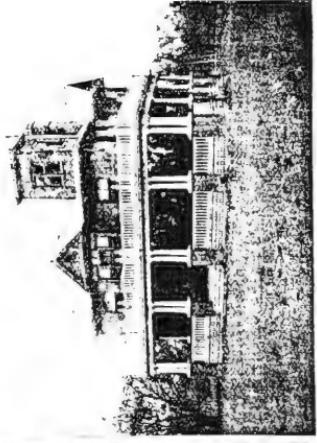




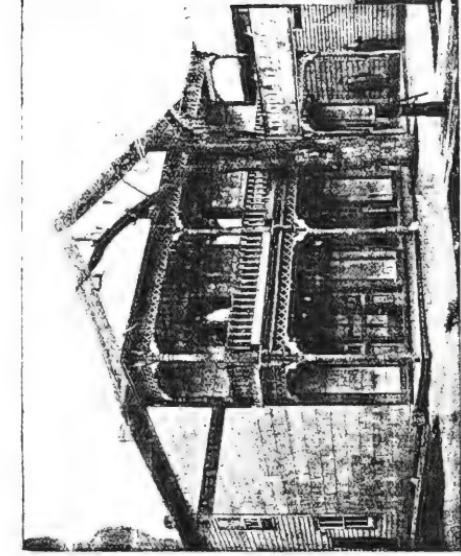
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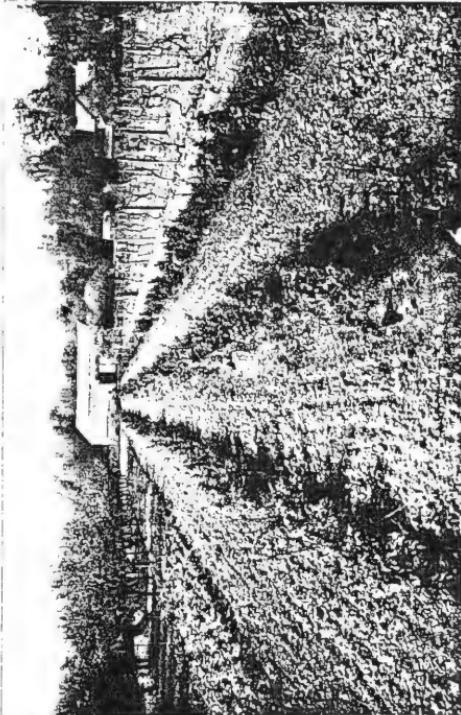
RESIDENCE OF DR. ALEXANDER, GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE OF WILL. PETTIT, GRIMSBY.



GRAFERY ON S. M. CULP'S FARM, BEAMSVILLE.



THE LINCOLN HOUSE, GRIMSBY, J. W. VANDYKE, PROPRIETOR.



#### DONALD J. MCKINNON, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. Donald J. McKinnon, of Grimsby, owns a farm of 168 acres just west of the village, 88 acres of which is in fruit. Grapes, apples, peaches, plums, pears, cherries and berries of various kinds. Last year Mr. McKinnon produced fruit in the following quantities: 40 tons of grapes, 300 barrels of apples, 600 baskets of pears, 300 crates of berries, 3,500 baskets of peaches, 500 baskets of plums, and 400 boxes of cherries, the whole netting him in money about \$3,600. This luscious fruit was all shipped to different Canadian markets. This farm as a fruit producer is comparatively new, ranging from one to eight years planting. The greater portion is devoted to pears, including about 9,000 trees all planted with a view to the export trade, and when in full bearing the crop will reach in amount five or six times the present capacity. Mr. McKinnon is a manufacturer in an interested sense, being associated with the McKinnon Dash Factory of St. Catharines. He is also the standard bearer of the Liberal party in the county of Lincoln, at the present moment standing for the Ontario Legislature. As a citizen he is highly esteemed, and the people of this district appreciate him at his best.

#### J. DARBY, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

The many well conducted fruit farms of this district ordinarily render any one establishment merely as a type of the others, but in the case of the home of Mr. J. Darby this rule does not apply. His farm is located directly on the shore of Lake Ontario, and contains 34 acres, 28 acres of which is devoted to fruit. His largest single crop is of grapes, a thirteen acre vineyard. A view of this grapeery is shown herewith. It was taken from the top of one of the buildings in Mr. Darby's place. The vines are just beginning to leaf, and within ten days or two weeks from the time when this photograph was obtained the foliage will largely obscure the view. This is the best all round equipped farm in this district. Mr. Darby came to Canada and to Grimsby from Ireland something like six years ago. At home his profession was that of railway engineer, and through glowing reports he received of the chance for railroad men in Canada he came out to this country. He obtained employment on the C. P. R., but after three months' engagement the road began to retrench on expenses, laying off operatives, etc., and he being one of the latest to go on, was one of the first to be laid off. He then gave his attention to thoughts of farming and being possessed of some capital and a large stock of energy and good sense, the purchase of a fruit farm here has been followed by veritable wonder workings. When he bought his present home, 21 acres of the 34 were

either bush or bare land. A good house comprised about all the improvements it possessed. He has added fifteen acres of fruit-pears, plums and small fruit, clearing some bush for the purpose, so that now his farm consists of 28 acres of fruit and 6 acres of bush and pasture land. Mr. Darby has also established a perfect system of irrigation and water works for his farm. By means of a windmill pumping station at the lake, supplemented by a reservoir tank located at the top of a high tower at the highest point of the place, connected by underground pipes, the nucleus or groundwork of a waterworks system is established. From the reservoir run small pipes over ground to all parts of the farm, with numerous hydrants so arranged that the work of irrigation is easily accomplished, so that the matter of rain is inconsequential here for growing crops. The pressure of water at the tank in the tower referred to is sufficient to send a stream of water an inch and a half thick overany building on the farm. Taken altogether this is the cosiest and best planned farm in this entire district, and that is saying much in a section where splendid fruit farms are the rule. Mr. Darby thinks of returning to the business of railroading again and offers his farm for sale.

#### THE BRANCH OFFICE OF

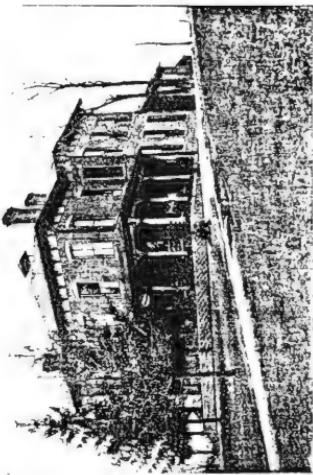
#### THE OTTAWA FRUIT AND PRODUCT EXCHANGE

has been established in this district for some years. This exchange, of which Mr. L. W. Hunt, the widely known fruit and commission merchant of Ottawa is the proprietor, has done and is doing the most extensive fruit commission business in this locality. Mr. A. Birland is the present agent. He is a man of much energy in the business and a downright hustler. The exchange was the first to institute the system of loading cars for the Ottawa market by freight, thereby saving thousands of dollars annually to the shippers, and affording them a very cheap rate, while the fruit arrives in the market in a first-class condition. The office also holds the agency for the Toronto and Hamilton papers.

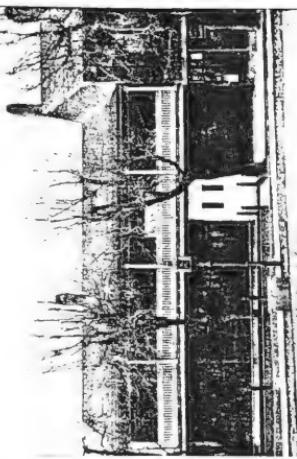
#### RESIDENCE OF DR. D. V. LUCAS.

Dr. Lucas has travelled around the world, spending some years at the antipodes and is familiar with life in the tropics and of all continents. He resides Grimsby as the most desirable place for residence he has ever known. This is not merely because of scenery of mountain and plain and lake, but because of its situation in the centre of the finest fruit growing district in North America. Every kind of fruit which can be grown in the Northern Hemisphere can here be produced in great abundance and of rarest flavor. He has on his

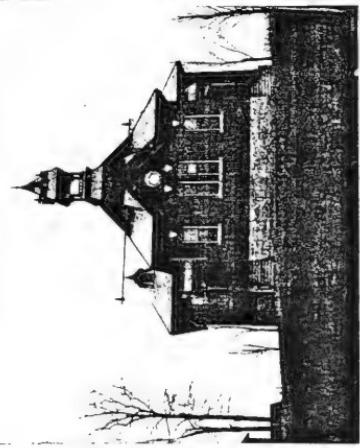




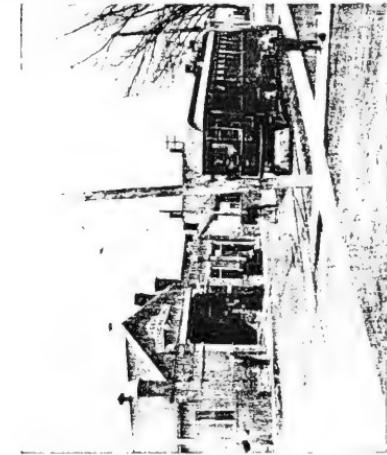
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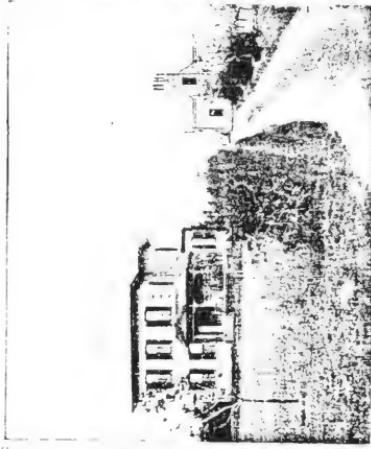
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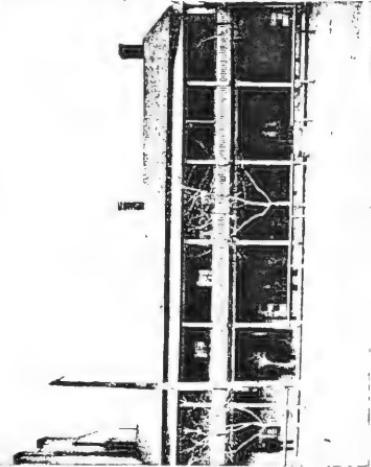
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H. G. & B. STATION, BEAMSVILLE.



RESIDENCE OF J. FRED. HENRY, WISCONSIN.



INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, BEAMSVILLE.



homestead lot of five acres, pears, peaches, apples, quinces, plums, cherries, currants, berries of all sorts, besides a garden abounding with roots, vegetables and flowers.

The doctor is an enthusiastic and practical farmer, an occupation to which he was reared and for which he has never lost a relish, notwithstanding his many years of public service in the pulpit and on the platform. A friend called on him, and finding him in the field said, "I have seen to-day what I never saw before and what I never dreamt of seeing." "What is that, sir?" "I have seen a doctor of divinity plowing." "Well sir, Franklin says,

"He that by the plow must thrive,  
Himself must either hold or drive."

"I ought to thrive for here I am doing both, but my horses find it such fun drawing the plow through this lovely soil that it is not driving they need but holding, so I have a kind of double hold on my job."

The doctor says he would like to have all those, who, far off, have thought Canada a cold desolate country, to visit Grimsby from the middle of May to the beginning of June. The wealth of flowers surpasses that of tropical lands. Then let them come again in September and October and see the fruitage of which these flowers are the precursor, and they too will say like the queen of Sheba, "the half was never told me;" no, not even by all that is written or pictured in this little book.

Dr. Lucas owns other property besides that on which his residence stands. This also is being brought more fully under fruit cultivation and production each year. He thinks that in addition to the beauty of the scenery and the fruit producing powers of the region about Grimsby, the intelligence of the people, the educational facilities, christian unanimity of sentiment, and kindness of neighborly spirit, make Grimsby one of the most pleasant places in which one can spend the few years allotted to mortals on our earth.

#### MESSRS. READ & SHELDRAKE, REAL ESTATE AND GENERAL AGENTS, EXCHANGE AND MART.

In addition to their real estate and general agency, Messrs. Read & Sheldrake conduct an exchange and mart, a system which affords great facilities to all parties wishing to sell or exchange property or articles of any kind. This business is conducted on the same lines as in England where it is well understood and widely patronized.

#### SOUTH GRIMSBY CHEESE FACTORY.

A request was made to the secretary, Edward Irving, Esq., touching the South Grimsby Cheese Factory and its output, which was answered as follows:

The factory is owned by a joint stock company. Holders of the company's stock, for the most part, are patrons of the institution. From 150 to 175 farmers patronize the factory each season. The season capacity of the South Grimsby Cheese Factory is 100 tons, and during the six years of its existence it has very nearly approached to its full limit of capacity, although not always. The cash income from output last year was \$16,135. All the whey left after the cheese was produced being returned to the patrons, which was useful as stock food. The officers are: President, Thomas Thed, Esq., Fulton, Ont.; Vice-President, Charles Shurton, Esq., Dunnville, Ont.; Directors, Messrs. Isaac Wardell, Elijah Durham, and A. D. Midlaugh, Smithville, Ont.; Secretary, Edward Irvine, Smithville, Ont. The cheese maker is Mr. Isaac Middleton, Kimlo, Ont., who has two assistants the greater part of each season. It may be seen from the foregoing that the residents of South Grimsby (which is on the mountain) are in no wise behind their brethren of that portion of the township in the valley and fruit district, in the matter of enterprise.

#### THE OLD "EXCHANGE" HOTEL, STONEY CREEK, ONT.

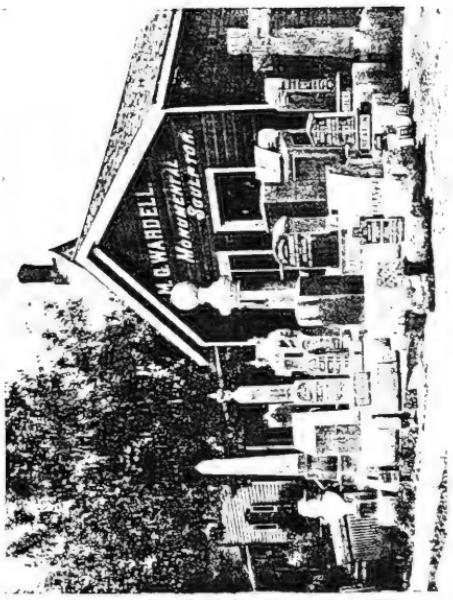
F. KEMPF, ESQ., PROPRIETOR.

Mr. F. Kempf has recently come into control and possession of the Exchange Hotel, Stoney Creek, by purchase. He is a young man with a future at stake, and a worthy conduct of this familiar hostelry may be looked for under his management. The house is commodious and comfortable. It can accommodate twenty guests with lodging, and has a fine livery accommodation barn in connection. It is removed from the street a little distance and the coolness and comfort of its broad piazzas have, with its other excellencies, gained for it the recommendations of the C. W. A.

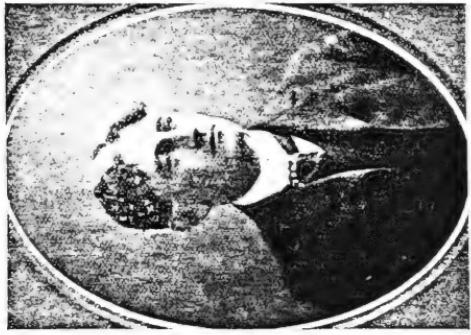
#### J. B. SMITH, ESQ., FRUIT GROWER, STONEY CREEK, ONT.

Mr. Smith owns here a farm of 50 acres, 50 of which is devoted to fruit—7 acres of strawberries, 6 of raspberries, 2,500 peach trees, 2,000 plum trees, 6,000 grape vines, and 300 pear trees. This is all producing this year and more will be added the coming season. Mr. Smith was born on a farm, and to within a few years back he has been a prominent stock and grain farmer. His home, which is pictured in this issue, is of recent construction and is one of the very finest residences in this district, so prolific of sumptuous homes.

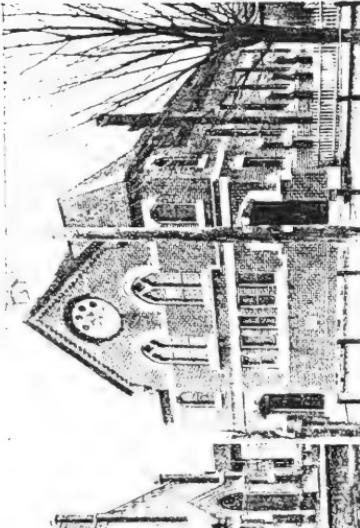




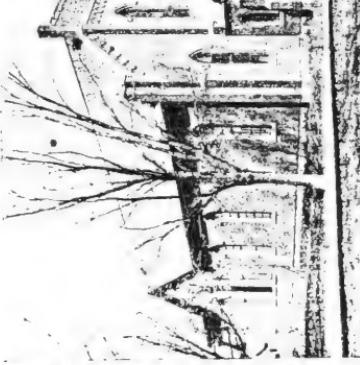
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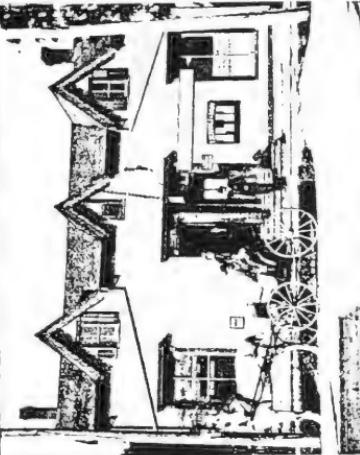
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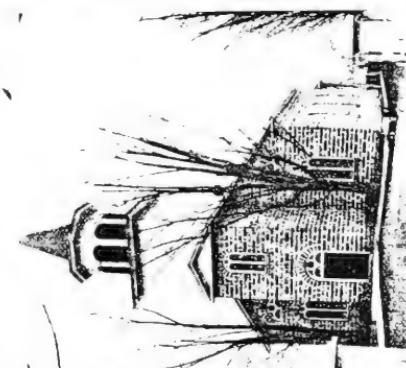
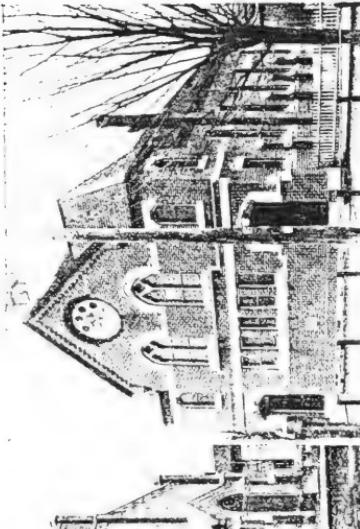
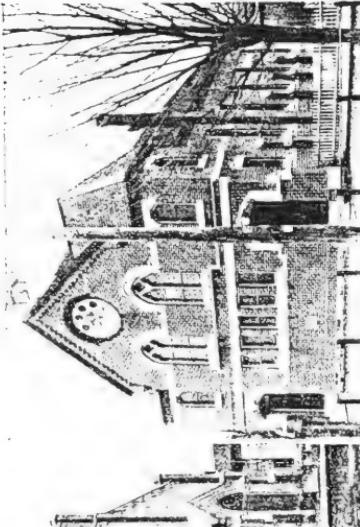
BAPTIST CHURCH, GRIMSBY.



METHODIST CHURCH, GRIMSBY.



OTTAWA FRUIT AND PRODUCE EXCHANGE, GRIMSBY.



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J. G. NASH & SON, FRUIT GROWERS AND AGRICULTURISTS,  
STONEY CREEK, ONT.

Messrs. J. G. Nash & Son are very large fruit growers. In quantities, the following figures will show last year's output : 2,800 baskets of peaches, 7,000 barrels of plums, 3,500 crates of small fruits including all kinds of berries, 1,200 barrels of apples and 45 tons of grapes. Messrs. Nash & Son have 120 acres of land devoted to fruit, as follows : peaches, 15 acres ; plums, 22 acres ; grapes, 15 acres ; pears, 4 acres ; apples, 32 acres and 32 acres of small fruits. It is intended this year to put out a large average of new fruit stock, such as plums, grapes and small fruits. Besides the fruit farms these gentlemen own and control large areas of land devoted to the raising of stock, sheep and cattle principally. A very fine engraving of Mr. J. G. Nash's home may be seen amongst the illustrations herewith. His son resides with him.

S. M. CULP, FRUIT GROWER AND SHIPPER,  
BEAMSVILLE, ONT.

It is an indisputable fact that the fame of the Niagara peninsula arose mainly from the natural fruit-growing qualities of the soil, and it affords us much pleasure to give in this journal—which is published for the benefit of the citizens of the peninsula—an account of the progress of one of the best farms in the district, and under the management of one of the best fruit men in Canada. We refer to the business of Mr. S. M. Culp, of Beamsville, and will endeavor, in the space allotted, to give some account of the work carried on by Mr. Culp from year to year. Mr. Culp's farm, which is situated just a mile east of the town, is composed of 86 acres, 30 of which at the present time is devoted solely to the production of fruit, while the remainder, we are informed, will be utilized in a like manner, and we think that this proves beyond a doubt that there is money in fruit. The classes of fruit, and the amount of ground given to each money in fruit, are as follows : Pears 8 acres, peaches 3 acres, grapes 5 acres, berries 3 acres, quinces 1 acre, miscellaneous 1 acre. Mr. Culp, however, does not give his sole attention to the management of his own farm, but leaves it to a certain extent in the hands of his foreman, who with a large number of men look after it, while he himself is engaged in buying fruit throughout the whole neighborhood, and has men to be at all points of exportation, so as to be able to get larger consignments than they otherwise could. In this capacity Mr. Culp ranks as one of the most extensive fruit buyers doing business directly with the producer, and by his energy and integrity, assisted by his life-long experience,

Mr. Culp has established a remarkably extensive business in a very short time. To give an idea of the extensiveness of this business we need only state that the total output last year was 1,101,712 lbs. of fruit, and remember it was sent to almost every town or city in Ontario and Quebec. He also had a large trade with Buffalo and other American towns.

MURRAY PETTIT, ESQ., A PROMINENT FRUIT GROWER,  
WINONA, ONT.

Mr. Murray Pettit, of Winona, owns an area of 125 acres in the very heart of this fruit growing country, 60 acres of which is fruit bearing, comprising grapes, pears, plums and apples. Last year he grew about 75 tons of grapes, 5,600 bushels of pears, 3,200 baskets of plums, and 300 barrels of apples. His vineyards are made up of about 150 varieties, and he has exhibited at the Toronto Industrial Fair, of his own growing, 130 varieties of grapes, the largest collection ever put up in Canada at any time. Mr. Pettit won the only individual award given on grapes at the World's Fair in 1893. He made the first commercial shipment of peaches ever sent from the Winona station. Mr. Pettit is president of the Fruit Growers' Joint Stock Company, and has been for the past 16 years a director of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association—two years president. His farm is an Experimental Station, under the authority of the Ontario Government, making a specialty of grapes, 150 varieties being grown here, tests being made of new kinds as they come upon the market, touching every quality of growth, production, etc., and the findings go to guide vineyard owners all over the province. The awards of the late Paris Exposition have just been published, and it is found that Mr. Pettit was awarded a gold medal on grapes. Score one more for Canadian grapes, and incidentally for the Grimsby district.

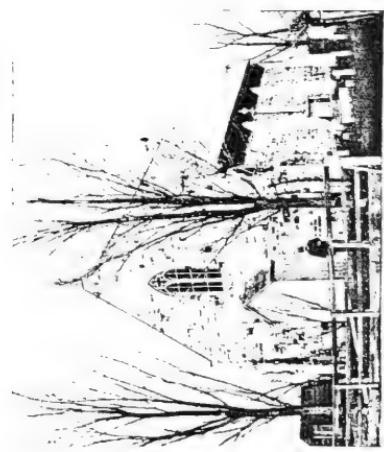
W. B. CALDER, ESQ., "MAPLETON LODGE" FARM,  
GRIMSBY, ONT.

In the person of Mr. W. B. Calder, is represented the fourth generation of that family to live at and to occupy the farm known as "Mapleton Lodge". It is located  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile south from the village of Grimsby, on the stone road leading from there to Smithville, and embraces 18½ acres of fine land as lies outside of doors. It is principally devoted to mixed farming and stock raising, although its fruit production is extensive and of fine quality. The buildings are ample and well kept. The main dwelling contains 22 rooms, contemplated in its construction the accommodation of those employed upon the farm.

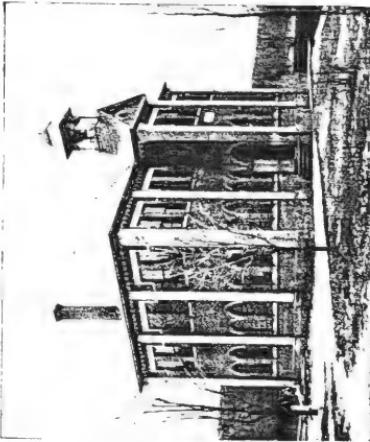




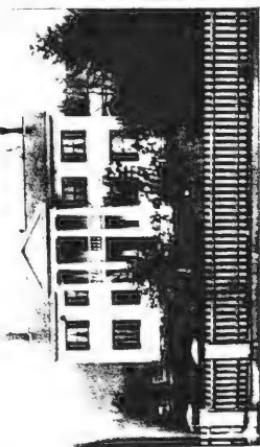
MURRAY PETTIT, WINONA



ROYAL CATHOLIC CHURCH, GRIMSBY



PUBLIC SCHOOL, STONY CREEK



RESIDENCE OF I. GEDDES, WINONA.



C. W. VASHIDIZER, GRIMSBY



PUBLIC SCHOOL, WINONA.



Mr. Cather is interested in the insurance business, both fire and life, and he lets his farm to a tenant on shares, with also a portion of this dwelling as a residence. This gentleman, Mr. James Smith, is a genial Scotchman. He has developed a fine herd of milch cows, mostly Holsteins, which supplies milk for some 175 or 200 families in the village and district. Amongst the illustrations on another page may be seen a view of the dwelling and buildings as well as of the dairy milch cows. Every feature of this farm appeals to the sense of the agriculturist. It possesses splendid water, it is dotted with trees here and there, and at the very topmost point nestles a lake of pure water which is perennial in its freshness as it is continually fed by living springs. Mr. Cather's insurance connections include the North British and Mercantile, Commercial Union, Hartford Fire Insurance Co., London Mutual Fire Insurance Co., The Mutual Life Insurance of Canada, Lloyd's Plate Glass Insurance Co., and the Ontario Accident Insurance Co. Thus it may be seen that his time and attention is much occupied by other than farm matters. Hence the announcement here that "Mapleton Lodge" is for sale will carry the reason therefor on its face. Inspection invited.

#### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, GRIMSBY, ONT.

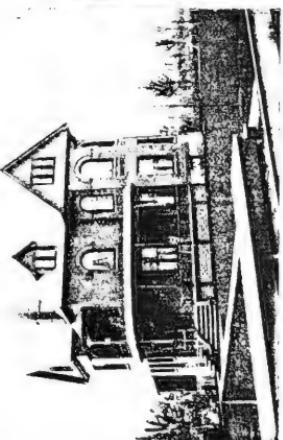
The existence of St. Andrew's Church, Grimsby, antedates that of the village itself or any of its living inhabitants. During the last years of the eighteenth century, in 1784, and soon after that date, early settlers, mostly U. S. Loyalists, and adherents of the Church of England, formed themselves into a congregation and assembled for divine worship at the houses of the members. The first religious services held in the township were those of the Church of England. It is recorded that Judd (Andrew) Petit conducted services at his own house and elsewhere as early as the year 1787. In 1794 a log church was built near the site of the present edifice, to be succeeded by a more pretentious structure of frame about seven years later. In reference to this second church building the following interesting document has been preserved and is here reproduced:

"To all whom it may concern:

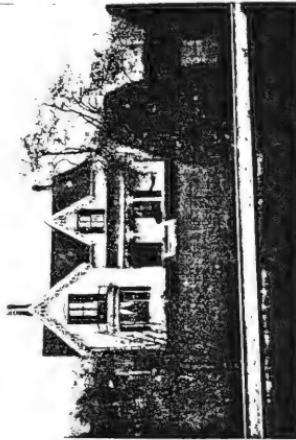
"WHEREAS Robert Nelles, Esquire, hath given a proper and convenient lot of land in the Township of Grimsby near the Forty Mile Creek for the purpose of building and erecting a church for the use of the Episcopalian congregation in said township and its vicinity; and also to be free for all other Christian denominations, except it be in church hours when it is previously engaged by said Episcopal congregation; BE IT KNOWN that at a meeting by appointment

of said congregation a certain spot of ground was agreed upon in a commodious place at the end of Esquire Nelles' lane, near the schoolhouse to erect said church and on the following plan. That is to say: To be with frame 35 feet in front by 32 feet back, and enclosed with pine boards and shingles. Now, we, the subscribers do hereby promise and engage to pay the several sums annexed to our names, respectively, for the erection of said church, said sums to be paid to Robert Nelles, Esq., John Pettit, Esq., and Iona Woolerton, Esq., managers, regularly and legally appointed and empowered by the said congregation, to manage and carry on said building, and to receive said subscriptions for said object and purpose. Given under our hands this 25th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1800." The subscription list as given includes the following names and may be only partial, yet the amount represented on it with donations of material and voluntary labor would perhaps have been sufficient in the days for the erection of a creditable building. John Moore, Benjamin Wilcox, David Palmer, sr., Iona Woolerton, Andrew Pettit, John Pettit, Allan Nixon, Jonathan Moore, Wm. Knowles, Samuel Green, Rold Neilles, Abraham Neilles, Jonathan Bell, Israel Morse, Isaac Durham, Henry Nixon. The date of completion and occupation is not known, nor the precise time for which this second place of worship sufficed for the needs of the congregation but it is probable that about twenty years later it gave place in its turn to the present stone church—the chancel of which was added later during the incumbency of the rector by Rev. Dr. Read in about 1868. The bell in St. Andrew's Church tower was the first in this section of Canada and was obtained by subscription and placed in position about 1835, and has rung out its invitations to prayer and its messages of sorrow and gladness for a period of seventy-five years. Previous to the year 1813, when the Rev. Wm. Sampson became the first resident minister, occasional ministrations were afforded by the Rev. Robert Addison, of Niagara, who came to that place, then called Newark, in 1799, as a missionary sent by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. The Rev. Mr. Sampson was killed by the accidental discharge of a gun while out shooting, and was buried on the 30th of April, 1822. He was succeeded by the Rev. A. N. Bethune, D. D., afterwards Bishop of Toronto, who left in 1827 to take charge of the parish and theological school at Cobourg. Dr. Bethune was followed by the Rev. George R. F. Groat, Rev. J. F. Lundy, D. D., and Rev. T. Bolton Read, D. D. At the death of Dr. Read, which occurred on September 9th, 1842, the vacancy was filled by the appointment on the 24th of December following of the Rev. C. Russell Lee, M. A., the present incumbent of the rectory.

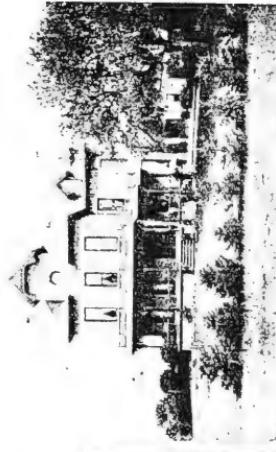




RESIDENCE OF GEORGE RILETT, WINONA.



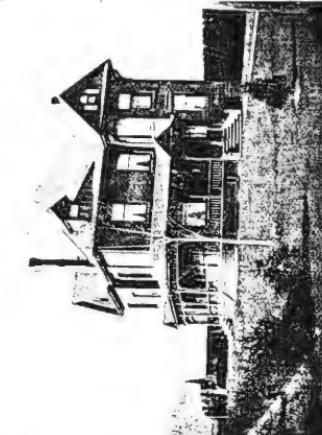
RESIDENCE OF JOHN W. SMITH, WINONA.



RESIDENCE OF T. H. P. CARPENTER, WINONA.



RESIDENCE OF MURRAY PETTIT, WINONA.



RESIDENCE OF IRA E. VANPUZER, WINONA.



RESIDENCE OF J. RANDALL GRIMSLY,



ERLAND LEE, ESQ., DAIRYMAN AND FRUIT GROWER,  
STONEY CREEK, ONT.

Mr. Erland Lee, of Stoney Creek, Ont., is largely interested in fruit raising in this district. He owns a farm of 100 acres, to acres apples, 4 acres grapes, 4 acres pears, and 4 acres plums, peaches and cherries. He also has 10 acres of sugar bush. In addition he has a large number of young fruit trees of different varieties not bearing this year. Mr. Lee always disposes of his fruit crop to dealers, the small fruit to E. D. Smith, Winona, Ont., and the apples to Dixon Bros., Hamilton, Ont. Erland Lee is an enterprising man and citizen. He believes that fruit growing and dairying might well go together, so he is to be found promoting both. He was instrumental in establishing a creamery at Vienmont, nine miles east of Hamilton, which is conducted upon the co-operative plan, and is president of it. A few years ago Mr. Lee established the nucleus of a herd of Jersey cattle procuring as foundation stock such as had ancestors celebrated as prize winners and famous producers. From these he has the happiness to be building up a magnificent herd. "Eigenmont Farm," as the name implies, is situated upon the brow of the mountain just above Fruita land, and commands a grand view from mountain to lake, and for many miles east and west, seeing in the distance, Toronto, Burlington and Hamilton Beach.

JOHN H. GROUT & CO., AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT MANUFACTURERS, GRIMSBY, ONT.

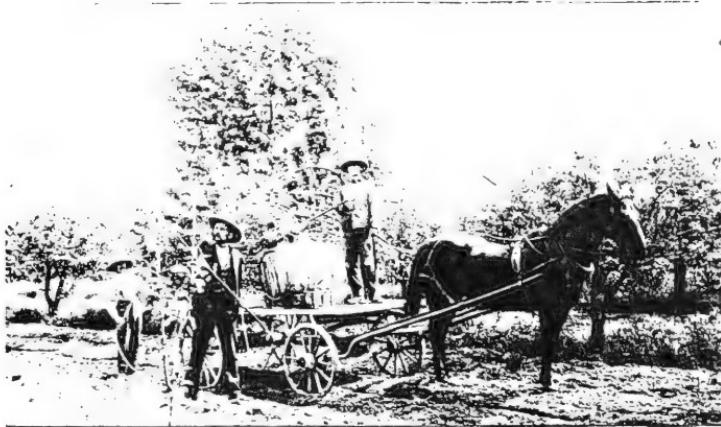
This well-known manufacturing industry was established in Grimsby in the year 1856, by the firm of Palmer & Groat, composed of Messrs. Dennis Palmer and John H. Groat. This firm was succeeded for a short time by Mr. Groat, alone, when the firm of John H. Groat & Co. came into existence (Mr. Groat becoming associated with Mr. W. H. Nelles), to be continued later on by Mr. Groat and Thomas Rome, Esq. Mr. Rome is the surviving partner. The plant is equipped with patterns and up-to-date machinery for the manufacture of all kinds of agricultural implements, from the most approved binders down to the latest and best line of cultivators. The plant is complete in every way. It covers, with all its buildings, fully an acre and a half of ground. The main buildings are 100 feet front by 40 feet wide, with an L extending back 140 feet. The foundry buildings and machinery are estimated at a present value of \$30,000, having originally cost something more. There is in connection a thoroughly equipped basket factory. Fruit baskets and packages of

all sizes, kinds and descriptions are made, and the factory being located right here in Grimsby, the very centre of the Niagara peninsula, which is almost one vast fruit farm, it follows that the demand is bound to always exceed the supply. Last season this factory produced 500,000 baskets and 1,000,000 fruit boxes, with a total capacity of double those figures. The transportation facilities are of the best character. The Grand Trunk Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway both serve for freight, so that nothing is lacking on that score. Local agents are established in various parts of the country for the sale of the products of this company. These works have a capacity of 300 mowing machines and 250 binders per annum, together with plows, cultivators, harrows, etc.

A. F. HAWKE, THE "O. K." HOUSE, DEALER IN STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, READY-TO-WEAR CLOTHING AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHINGS, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. A. F. Hawke, the proprietor of the Central Store at Grimsby, Ont., began his commercial career in this his home town some ten years ago, first opening in the building now occupied by the H. G. & B. R. offices, and later removing to larger quarters at the corner of Main and Depot streets. He succeeded so well as to warrant his principal competitor, Mr. E. J. Palmer, in selling his large store and stock with goodwill to him, and himself retiring from a commercial life altogether. Mr. Palmer had been a merchant in Grimsby for many years, and no one had approached him in the volume and quality of goods sold before Mr. Hawke came on the scene. So it was appropriate that the young and new merchant should supersede the older, when the latter was ready to retire. A view of the "O. K." House may be seen in the illustrated portion of this issue. It is a very large building, containing different departments, as follows: Staple and fancy dry goods, ladies' dress goods and silk, including laces, handkerchiefs, parasols, etc., carpets and linoleums, ready-to-wear clothing, gentlemen's furnishings, hats and caps, boots and shoes, millinery and dressmaking, wall-papers, draperies, groceries and general hardware. A. F. Hawke never had the benefit of the larger experience of a city trade, yet he has no superior in buying and selling. The best goods appeal to Mr. Hawke, and on behalf of his customers he never carries less than quality A No. 1. His annual turnover in trade is very large indeed and is increasing year by year. The trade which comes to this store embraces an area of ten or twelve square miles on every side, east, west and south. The writer has much pleasure in thus being able to interview this merchant and to introduce him and his operations to others in Canada.





S. M. CULP, SPRAYING IN HIS ORCHARD, BEAMSVILLE.



MISS IRENE WEAVER AND HER PONY, GRIMSBY.



GEO. BEATTY.



J. D. BENNETT.



C. E. HALL.  
SOME BEAMSVILLE CITIZENS.



S. M. CULP.



### J. W. VANDYKE, ESQ., PROP. LINCOLN HOUSE, GRIMSBY, ONT.

Mr. Vandyke is proprietor of so many different interests in the village of Grimsby that it is difficult to determine exactly how to designate him better than as the straightforward and genial host of the Lincoln House. The Lincoln is the "recommended" house of the C. W. A., and it well deserves this distinction. It is not large, having accommodation for about 40 guests, but the service given is of a superior quality. The rooms are clean and airy, and on the front gallery of the house the sojourner may rest in the sheltering foliage of an immense black walnut tree while observing the traffic of the principal street. A fine bowling green is one of the attractions of this hostelry also, in size 40x160 feet, surrounded by flowering shrubs, etc., the whole brilliantly illuminated in the evening by electricity.

Mr. Vandyke is proprietor of the Grimsby Electric Light Service, which supplies illumination for the village, both private and corporate, as well as for the Grimsby Park. He is, besides all this, interested in a large fruit and vegetable evaporating business, his buildings in this interest covering an area of 45x160 feet, 2 stories, and are fire-proof. The only steam and wind filtering water system in the town is his, furnishing the Grimsby Canning Factory, two planing mills and others with water from the lake, besides that required for street sprinkling. Thus it may be seen that the subject for this sketch is both a prominent and enterprising citizen.

### THE GRIMSBY CANNING CO.

The Grimsby Canning Factory is the pioneer cannning factory of Canada, and being situated in the centre of the great fruit-producing district of the Niagara Peninsula, enjoys an advantage over its competitors in being able to get the fruit ripe and fresh from the producers, thereby retaining the full natural flavor. The entire output of the factory in fruit and vegetables is sold under the popular "Tartan" and "Colonial" brands, the goods being very handsomely labelled, and first-class quality. The great bulk of their goods go to points in Canada, covering the entire Dominion from Sydney, C. B., to Victoria, B. C., the "Tartan" brand being especially popular in the west. The company makes a specialty of canned apples for export, and their brands enjoy a reputation second to none on the British market. Another item of importance is the extreme cleanliness of the factory, the management insisting on everything being kept sweet and clean, thus insuring perfect sanitary conditions so necessary in the production of high-class goods.

### T. J. NOBLE, ESQ., GROCER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

T. J. Noble, Esq., is an Irishman by birth, and he has all the bon-homme of the best of that race. He is a young man and consequently has all his life before him, but it is easy to prognosticate for him a successful future, judging by the energy and well directed industry with which he conducts himself and his affairs in these days of his young manhood. He enjoys a good and growing trade which when taken together with the general respect in which he is held augurs well for his future in Grimsby. He is the sole agent in Grimsby for the famous "Tartan" and "Colonial" brands of canned goods produced by the Grimsby Canning Co.

### MISS D. A. TORREY, ELOCUTIONIST AND ENTERTAINER, GRIMSBY, ONT.

The public must be entertained, and more, this gonnand insists that along with its entertainment there shall be the accompanying quality of education. Miss Torrey both entertains and educates. Her standing before the public is to her friends and compatriots of Grimsby a keen delight. Miss Torrey is a graduate of the Philadelphia National School of Elocution and Oratory. She comes before the public this year prepared to fulfil the demands for high class entertaining. Her repertoire is extensive, her selections new and varied, chosen to suit every occasion. For terms and dates address Miss Daisy A. Torry, Grimsby, Ont.

### C. E. WEAVER, ESQ., PROPRIETOR OF THE MANSION HOUSE, GRIMSBY, ONT.

The Mansion House, Grimsby, is well named. It is a mansion in its magnificent proportions. A good view of this Grimsby Hotel may be seen in this issue, which at once impresses the observer favorably. The cars of the H. G. & B. Electric Railway pass directly by its doors, bringing the citizens of Hamilton and the district intervening between that city and the village of Grimsby to this the largest and best equipped hotel in the district. Mr. Weaver is a good citizen and a wise host. He knows well what is due to the public and respects himself as a caterer thereto, consequently he is accorded a very general respect as such, and his house is well patronized. His family is made up of musical and dramatic artists. One of his sons, Prof. Weaver, is associated with the great Hennitzen piano manufacturing firm of Toronto. Another is a pianist of great ability; and yet another, Earl, is a boxer of continental reputation, while his daughter Irene is a reader and reciter of charming presence and pleasing ability. This family of entertainers is always in demand, one or all, and no good work of general interest, social or public, ever appeals in vain for their services.





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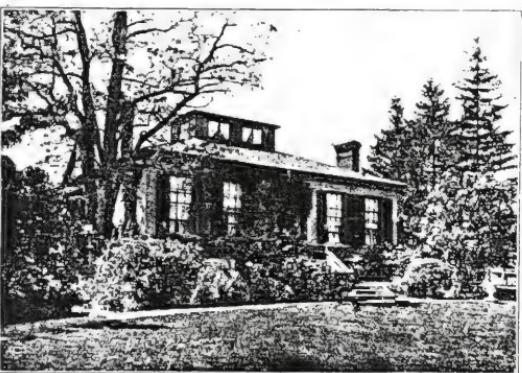
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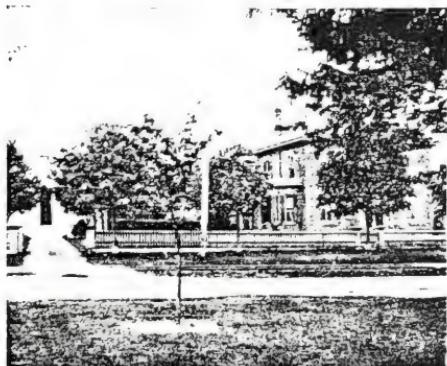
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"THE COTTAGE," MRS. OSBORNE'S RESIDENCE, BEAMSVILLE.



RESIDENCE OF GEO. UDELL, ESQ., GRIMSBY.



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### HOTEL ACACIA, STONEY CREEK, ONT., MURRAY NEIL, PROPRIETOR

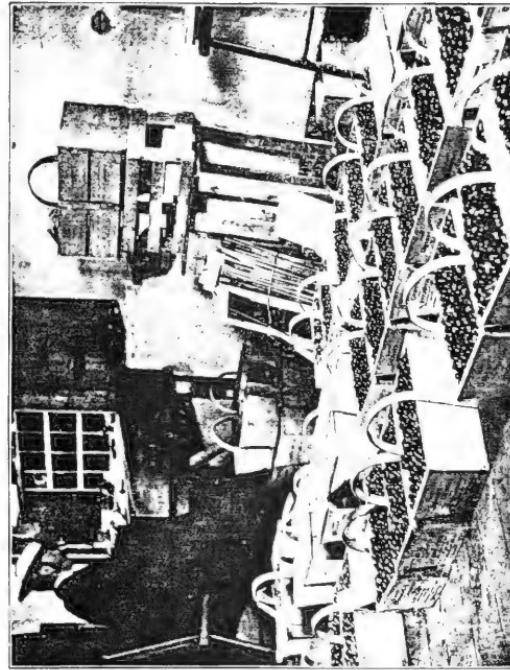
Amongst the illustrations may be seen a view of the Hotel Acacia, Stoney Creek. As the half tone illustration of this hotel shows, it is built of stone. It is a solid stone structure in fact with walls eighteen inches thick, impervious alike to cold and heat. The trolley line between Hamilton and Beamsville passes directly by the door bath ways every hour. Mr. Murray Neil is the genial proprietor, who knows how to run a house situated as the Hotel Acacia is within a few minutes ride from a large city. This is a well conducted house, and parties of ladies and gentlemen have the most cordial treatment and careful attention. A good livery service can be supplied to guests who may desire to drive up on the mountain or by the lake shore. The rates are \$1.00 per day or \$5.00 per week.

### J. W. BUCK, ESQ., FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING, BEAMSVILLE, ONT.

Mr. J. W. Buck is a leading merchant of Beamsville. His lines are furniture of all kinds and undertaking. In furniture his stock comprises the newest designs and patterns and the best in quality. He buys altogether direct from the manufacturer, believing that middlemen's profits properly belong to the public. He buys general furniture principally from the Canadian Furniture Manufacturing Co. and Berlin factories, mattresses from Hindles and London, and springs from Woolstock and Brantford. Mr. Buck does a large share of his upholstering on the ground, besides an extensive repairing trade. He rejoices in the well earned reputation of handling only the best quality of goods, and of selling at prices which meet all competition wherever from. In the matter of undertaking, Mr. Buck being a practical enthusiast, and knowing his business thoroughly, is much in demand. A first-class hearse and carriages furnished

### MESSRS. ZINNEMAN & WALKER, CARRIAGE MANUFACTURERS, BEAMSVILLE, ONT.

Messrs. Zinnerman & Walker succeeded to the business of the Beamsville Carriage Works, following Mr. J. D. Benett, who began the manufacture of carriages here in 1870. In these days a business that survives the buffetting of fortune beyond the quarter century mark is credited with a merit which is generally accepted as a good reason for its existence. For thirty years the Beamsville Carriage Works have been turning out a standard product and thus it is that its reputation extends from one end of the Niagara peninsula to the other. Messrs. Zinnerman & Walker are fortunate inasmuch as it is a recognized fact that skilled labor and attention to details, combined with the best material available, are the leading points which maintain the reputation of this firm's output, the latter comprising every style of vehicle on wheels or runners.



SAMPLE OF CHERRY PACKING ON THE FARM OF LINUS WARDWELL.

### M. G. WARDELL, ESQ., MONUMENTAL SCULPTOR, BEAMSVILLE, ONT.

In order to gain a fair idea of the work produced at the monumental works of M. G. Wardell, Beamsville, it will only be necessary to study for a moment the illustration of the display made by this gentleman amongst the monuments, busts, etc., shown on page 12 of this book. The many designs of headstones, footstones, etc., speak for themselves. Nowhere in Canada, perhaps, is there a more excellent array of such. Mr. Wardell spent 18 long years acquiring the sculptor's art with one of the Dominion's greatest men in this line, Mr. F. B. Gullett, of Toronto, and established himself in Beamsville in 1893. The beauty of his work, combined with reasonable charges has gained for him a splendid reputation and trade in this district.





A. H. PETTIT, GRIMSBY.



RESIDENCE OF H. H. ANDERSON, ESQ., GRIMSBY.



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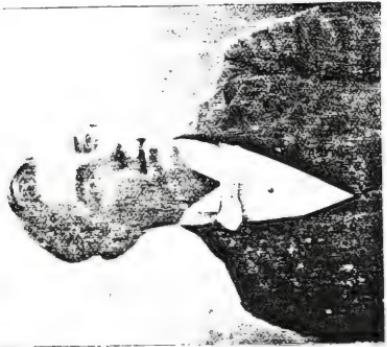


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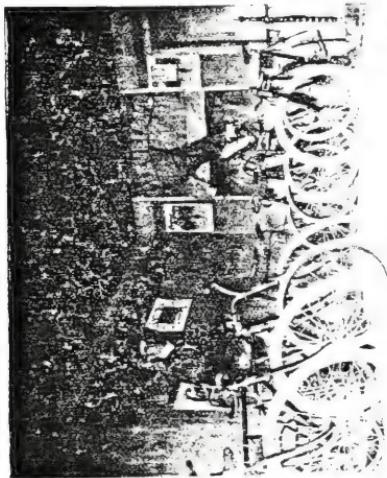




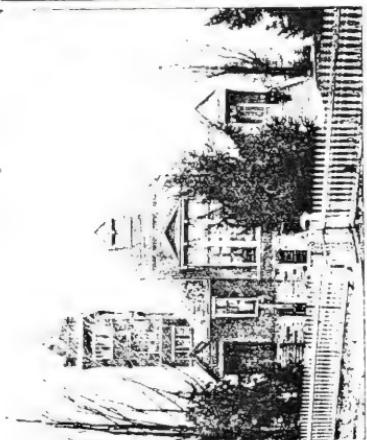
PERCY MILLWARD, PHOTOGRAPHER, GRIMSBY



W. E. PHILLIPS, EDITOR, "INDEPENDENT," GRIMSBY.



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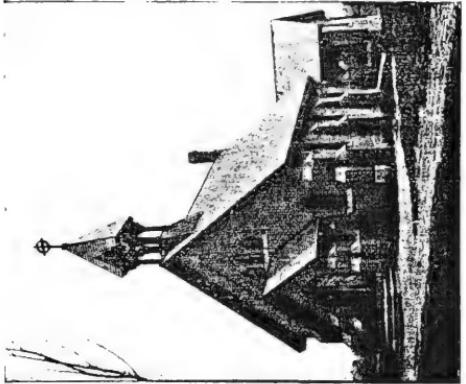
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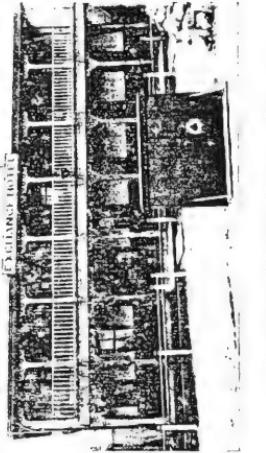
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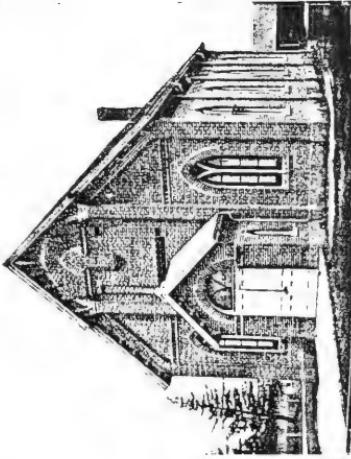
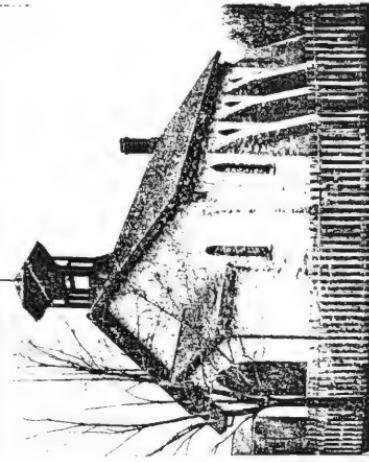
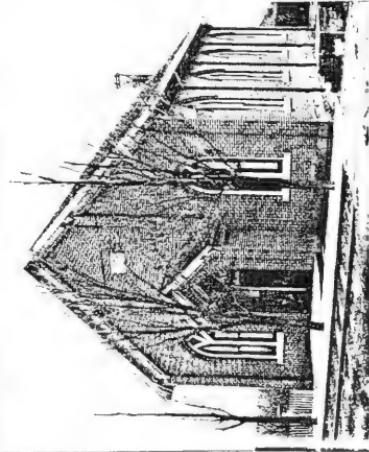
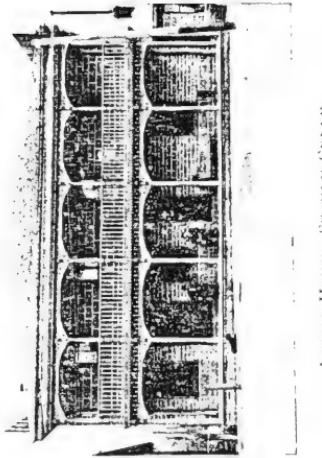
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